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FEARFUL EXPLOSION

Powder Mill at Greisheim, Germany, Wrecks Building and Leaves Nearly Two Hundred Dead in Ruin.

WORK OF RESCUE WAS HINDERED

Character of the Building's Contents Prevented Immediate Assistance—Troops Called Out to Assist the Firemen.

Mainz-on-the-Main, April 25.—The two terrific explosions on record occurred this afternoon at the Electrochemical works, near Griesheim, where smokeless powder is manufactured. Most of the factories exploded. The noise was so great that it was heard at a great distance, including Frankfort and Mayence. The factory immediately became a mass of flames and a northeast wind carried fire to the neighboring villages, where several houses were also set on fire.

Eight cylinders, each containing from a hundred weight of smokeless powder, were in the room where the explosion occurred.

Troops were immediately ordered to Griesheim to prevent the fire from spreading to the large benzine reservoirs near by. Fire brigades from every place in the neighborhood were hurried to the scene, owing to dangerous nature of the display and for fear of a renewal of explosions the greatest difficulty was experienced in stopping the progress of the flames. Only after two hours of strenuous work was the danger passed, so as to make it possible to begin work of extricating the bodies. It is feared that nearly 200 persons have been killed and injured.

Frankfort, April 26—Three boilers in the Grothem Electro Chemical works, near Griesheim, exploded this afternoon as the factory caught fire. Fifty persons are reported killed and 140 injured. The noise was audible here. The Frankfort fire engines and ambulances have gone to the scene of the disaster.

The number of dead and injured is estimated at 150, but can not be determined until the list of employes at the chemical works can be compared with the survivors. The fire continues to burn, although the greater part of the Frankfort fire department and troops are trying to prevent its spread to buildings outside the fire zone. Hospitals have been improvised in the vicinity. The flames apparently originated by the blowing up of vats of chemicals in the explosive department of the works at 3 o'clock this afternoon. They spread with frightful speed to adjacent buildings, and then over the River Main to Schwanheim. When the second explosion took place, the fumes and masses of burning chemicals made it impossible to stay in the vicinity. The inhabitants of Griesheim were ordered to leave their village from which they flee into Frankfort.

THE LAST EPLOSION.

The last explosion occurred at 7:30 p. m., and when it was ascertained that no further danger was anticipated, the inhabitants were allowed to return to their homes

At 8:30 the fire was still burning in the center, the work of extricating the bodies from the debris being carried on by torch light, gaslight not being obtainable.

All railway traffic with Frankfort stopped during the fire, except for trains carrying the injured, but has since been resumed.

Four sheds for dressing the wounds of the injured have been erected. The catastrophe originated in a small fire which ignited several receptacles of picric acid, causing a terrific explosion. The houses adjoining the factory were partly burned and partly demolished by the violence of the explosion

It is still impossible to say definitely how numerous are the victims.

DESOLATE HOMES

Thousands Driven From Shelter by the Angry Flood In the Ohio.

DAMAGE INTO THE MILLIONS

Hope That the Water May Begin to Recede Today.

Cincinnati, April 25—The river at 6 o'clock tonight was rising slowly for fifty miles above Cincinnati. The conditions on both sides of the river are serious towards. The prediction is that the river will remain stationary for 24 hours after midnight and begin falling slowly tomorrow night. This will keep many out of their homes over Sunday, but present indications are that manufacturers and merchants on both sides of the river will be completely relieved before Monday. With the water almost ten feet above the danger line there is endless inconvenience and loss on both sides of the river here, and there is some distress tonight. Mayor Fleischmann secured relief funds today, and the committees appointed as hundreds of homes will not be fit for habitation for some time after the water recedes. Similar action was taken at Newport and Dayton, Kentucky, today where the conditions were still worse in the inundated districts.

RACE TRACK SUBMERGED.

The Newport race track is submerged from two to three feet and greater crowds than usual are attracted owing to the sight of horses running in the water. The National league ball park, where a game was played yesterday is completely flooded tonight.

All railways experienced trouble today in handling freight and some abandoned that part of their business. None have abandoned their passenger trains, but the Cincinnati, Georgetown and Portsmouth railway has been compelled to employ a ferry and tow boat to take the passengers from a point on the eastern suburb of Columbia, east of Cincinnati. Street railways are greatly hampered because of high water along Mill Creek valley, especially in Camminsville and Riverside. Three churches in Cincinnati are surrounded by water and as many school buildings, but the schools were dismissed. A careful estimate today placed the number of men thrown out of employment in Cincinnati by the flood at 2000, and about half as many in Covington and Newport. Most of them will not be able to resume until Monday.

THOUSAND ARE IDLE.

At Ironton it was reported 1000 men had been thrown out of employment, and similar conditions exist at Catlettsburg, Portsmouth and Huntington. An estimate has been made at Huntington that over 3000 families are homeless in the southern part of West Virginia, 8000 men are idle, and that the loss by the flood in that part of the state will exceed $1,000,000.

At Ripley, and New Richmond up the river from Cincinnati and other towns in those districts, the conditions are reported tonight as very serious as these places are under water.

At Maysville, 60 miles up the river, and also at Aberdeen, on the Ohio side it will take several weeks to repair the residences. Desolation and ruin is reported everywhere as the water recedes.

At Madison, Ind., the water is expected to reach the first floor of the National and Western hotels and the large Barker Tobacco Works.

AGUINALDO DISOWNS HIM.

Galiles Proclaims Himself Dictator of Filipinos.

Manila, April 25—It is reported that rebel General Galiles has ordered eight American prisoners to be shot April 21, the same day on which he has condemned to death Col. Funcio, one of his staff officers, and Senor del Rosa, a wealthy native, who had refused to contribute to insurgent fund. Funcio escaped. The others were tortured and then butchered. Galiles, who is now lurking in the mountains of Tayabas province, Luzon, proclaims himself dictator and successor to the Aguinaldo, and announces his intention to continue a war of extermination.

Aguinaldo denounces him, disclaiming responsibility for the previous atrocities of Galiles, and declares he never issued orders contrary to the rules of war.

Kitchener Reports Capture.

London, April 25—The war office received a brief telegram from Lord Kitchener recording the capture of the Boers and the taking of a twelve pounder gun, together with finding a 4.7 inch naval gun which the Boers captured at Helvetia.

Intending Purchaser's Suicide.

Havana, Ill., April 25.—C. E. Fitzgerald, a cigar maker of Bloomington, committed suicide in a hardware store today by shooting with a revolver which he had asked to be shown.

MANY BILLS PASSED.

Legislation Providing For State Institutions.

Springfield, April 25—The house this morning passed the garnishment bill prepared by the judiciary committee, 90 to 18. The bill provides that wages for services of a wage earner who is head of a family to the amount of $15 per week shall be exempt from garnishment. All above that amount is liable to garnishment.

The bill appropriating $24,000 to pay officers and men of the naval militia from the time at which they commenced drilling until accepted by the United States government in the Spanish-American war passed.

The house passed bills appropriating $425,000 for the insane hospital at Bartonville; $57,000 for Central Illinois hospital for insane at Jacksonville, $25,000 for an exhibit at the Charleston, S. C., exposition; $38,000 for the Eastern Illinois state normal school; $150,000 for the Illinois and Michigan canal; providing for the consolidation of school districts, and free transportation of pupils to and from school, providing for increasing the territory of insurance companies, the bill known as the Bottle bill and the bill appropriating $150,000 for a state arsenal at Springfield. Appropriating $138,000 for the Northern Illinois State Normal school at DeKalb; the bill known as referendum bill.

The Jeal bill was advanced to third reading.

SENATE.

In the senate Rankin of Warren introduced a bill to create a board of administration for state charitable institutions.

The house bill providing for consolidation of townships lying within the city of Chicago, by voting in the city government the powers of townships, passed.

Fowler's anti boxing bill, amended to make the offense a misdemeanor instead of felony, passed. The house bill revising the special assessment law and known as the Chicago special assessment bill, passed. The compromise garnishment bill which passed the house was reported and made a special order for tomorrow.

The senate passed a bill appropriating $61,000 for the gymnasium, workshop, and laboratory at the University of Illinois, and also bills making appropriations for the Illinois Firemen's association, for ordinary expenses of the Southern Illinois penitentiary for the industrial home for the blind; for expenses of the Illinois live stock breeders' association.

EXPEDITION IS RECALLED.

March On Pao Ting Fu Has Been Abandoned.

Pekin, April 25.—The expedition from Pao-Ting-Fu has been entirely called off, and the French troops ordered to return to their original station. Only casualties suffered by the entire expedition were two German soldiers killed.

With the exception of a formal ordering off of the Chinese troops the only comment made by the court is a brief notice in the Official Gazette to the effect that had a strong enough manifestation been made through the plenipotentiaries the troops would have been ordered to withdraw before.

This, if considered a censure would be manifestly unjust because Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching had been urging the withdrawal for a month. However the notice is so brief that neither of the plenipotentiaries regards it as a reflection upon his actions and think the court means that the powers did not make strong enough representations. As a matter of fact, if any reflections upon the plenipotentiaries were intended, Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching would be humiliated before the foreigners and could no longer be considered representatives.

The Germans killed in connection with the expedition were members of a scouting party who went far beyond the border.

BRYAN IS OUT OF THE RACE.

Has No Intention of Again Becoming a Candidate.

Lincoln, April 25.—In a statement given publicly tonight, W. J. Bryan says in effect he has no intention of seeking a third nomination for the presidency. Bryan's announcement is in answer to an article in an eastern paper speculating on his future plans as a political leader. Bryan said:

"I'm not planning for another presidential nomination—if I were I would not be editing a paper; if I ever become a candidate again it will be because it seems necessary for the advancement of the principles to which I adhere and that does not now seem probable."

Protest Without Avail.

Chicago, Ill., April 25.—Delegations of railroad employes representing several orders from the Freeport and Dubuque divisions of the Illinois Central called on Superintendent of Machinery Renshaw today and protested against the company's adding the Dubuque line to the Freeport division, asserting the change would be detrimental to many employes. Renshaw told them the change would certainly be made.

Yates Takes High Degree.

Chicago, Ill., April 25.—The Scottish Rite Masons who have been in session here the last four days, today led the largest class ever gathered in the city into the mystic rites of the thirty-second degree, including Governor Richard Yates in the number. It concluded its gathering with a banquet at the Auditorium in the evening in which 550 persons participated.

CONGER IS HOME

Ministers to China Landed Safe and Well at San Francisco Thursday.

WILL ACCEPT A NOMINATION

China Not in a Position to Pay More Than Three Hundred Million Indemnity.

San Francisco, Cal., April 25.—Edwin H. Conger, United States minister to China, accompanied by his wife and daughter and Miss Pierce, arrived from China this afternoon on the steamer Nippon Maru. Owing to quarantine regulations and the necessity of giving personal supervision to the landing of his baggage, Conger did not reach the hotel until 6 o'clock this evening. Mr. Conger's arrival was awaited with considerable interest not only on account of his connection with events in China, but from a political standpoint. There was a great desire to know what position Conger will assume with regard to the coming gubernatorial nomination in Iowa. To a representative of the Associated Press Mr. Conger, when asked if he cared to make any expression on the governorship, said:

NOT A CANDIDATE.

"I do not wish to make any public declaration at this time. I have not yet had time to read the correspondence which met me here. As far as I am at present advised I see no reason to change my position expressed about two months ago, before I left China. I received two telegrams from the United States. One asked if I were a candidate for governor. I answered, 'I am not.' The other telegram asked whether I would accept the nomination if tendered me. I replied I would accept if the nomination came to me, but that I was in no sense a candidate. I do not care to, nor will I say anything further in the matter until I reach Des Moines. I do not know what the situation in Iowa is and do not care to say anything definite until I am fully advised. The present intention and desire is to return to China and finish my work."

SHOWS CHINESE TRAIT.

Touching events in China, Conger turned interviewer and was particularly anxious to know what had been done by the powers in the matter of indemnity. He was asked for an opinion as to the amount of indemnity China could pay.

"Three hundred million dollars," he replied, accompanying his answer by a statement that it would be necessary for the government to practice economy. The time of payment, too, should extend over a long term of years.

Mr. Conger said there was nothing new to be said regarding China as everything that happened had been told fully, together with many things that never occurred. The tales of brutality had, he thought, been exaggerated. Of course there were cases of outrage by individual soldiers which were not sanctioned by the officers. These were but incidents of the war which found some palliation in the fact that the Chinese had killed 40,000 native Christians and only 100 Europeans. Asked in regard to his future plans Mr. Conger said he would remain in this city until Saturday when he would leave for his home in Des Moines. At the expiration of his 60 days' leave of absence he intended to return to China. He would go back sooner if anything important should come up.

When told it was planned by the citizens of Des Moines to give him a public reception he said although he did not care for a public demonstration he would accept a reception at Des Moines. He belonged to the people of Des Moines. In fact the entire people of Iowa always had been kind to him, giving him everything he asked for and refusing him nothing. In return he had been compelled often to refuse the people of Iowa favors.

ENCOURAGING TO EASTMAN.

Defense Again Scores On Important Points of Law.

Cambridge, April 26—The defense of Prof. Eastman continued to score points at law on the government in the trial today, the court holding to its opinion yesterday that the declarations made by Richard Grogan Jr., while dying, were not competent as evidence where the accusation was of murder. Court went further today by ruling as incompetent other statements that witnesses heard from Grogan's lips which appeared to be replies to Eastman's denials of other than an accidental shooting. There was much to encourage Eastman in the testimony which showed the latter very solicitous for Grogan's condition, and that he exhibited much grief at the unfortunate episode.

The day's evidence seemed to dwell upon the dying moments for Gogan, and Eastman's mental and physical condition at the time. The chief reason was that the witnesses were those who upon hearing the pistol reports and cries ran into the Clark garden.

Used a Hammer.

Junction City, Kan., April 25—Mrs. Annie Coover attempted to wreck the Exchange saloon in this city today, using a hammer. She was seized before serious damage was done, and placed under arrest.

MISSIONARIES OFFICERS

Two Societies Complete Their Work and Adjourn.

Muncie, Ind., April 25—The election of officers was the most important business before closing the session of the Baptist Women's Foreign Missionary society of the west today, and the meeting closed tonight.

The executive committee will decide the place for the next meeting. These officers were selected:

President—Mrs. John E. Scott of Evanston, Ill.

Vice President—Mrs. J. H. Randall.

State Vice Presidents: Illinois—Mrs. B. A. Green.

Iowa—Mrs. T. T. Atchison.

Mrs. Z Greenoll.

Minnesota—Mrs. F. B. Lathrop.

South Dakota—Mrs. C. F. Hackett.

Wisconsin—Mrs. William Lindsay.

Corresponding Secretaries:

Foreign—Mrs. F. Clatworthy of Evanston.

Home—Miss Julia A. Austin.

Advisory Secretary—Mrs. A. M. Bacon.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. F. G. Gressy.

Treasurer—Mrs. Matilda E. Kline of Chicago.

NORTHWEST BOARD.

Davenport, Ia., April 25—The women's board of foreign missions of the Northwest closed its thirtieth annual meeting today. Gratifying reports were made in support of foreign missions in the fourteen northwestern states under the jurisdiction of the board. Rev. Marcus A. Brownson of Philadelphia; Rev. Courtney H. Fenn of Pekin, China, were among the principal speakers today. Officers were re-elected as follows:

President—Mrs. H. H. Forsythe of Chicago.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. B. Jacobs of Chicago.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. L. W. Wagay of Lake Forrest.

Field Secretary—Mrs. D. B. Wells of Chicago.

LAYMAN WAS SELECTED

As Christian Advocate Editor Over Big Array of Ministerial Talent.

Cincinnati, April 25—David D. Thompson was today elected editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate of Chicago, by the book committee of the Methodist Episcopal church to succeed Rev. Dr. Arthur Edwards, deceased. The action was decidedly progressive, and was not accomplished without a struggle. The precedent was entirely against the successful candidate who is a layman. Hitherto only reverends and doctors of divinity have been selected to sit in the editorial chairs of the Methodist papers. The candidates included such distinguished men as Rev. Dr. Jesse Bowman Young of Cincinnati; Rev. S. J. Herben, assistant editor of the New York Christian Advocate; Rev. Dr. R. J. Cooke, of the Methodist Advocate Journal; Rev. P. H. Swift of Chicago; Rev. D. W. Clark of Cincinnati; Rev. Stephen H. Whitlock of Mattoon, Ill.; Rev. William N. McElroy of Springfield; Rev. Camden M. Cober of Denver; Professor C. M. Stuart, of the Northwestern University; and G. H. Potts, editor of the Michigan Christian Advocate. It was urged that Thompson had fairly earned the place; that he is an acknowledged power as an editor of many years' experience, and that having been assistant editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate it would be simply following civil service reform methods to advance him. In the sixth ballot the layman received a majority of the votes, and was declared elected.

BIG CHARLEY'S LAST VICTIM

Monster Elephant Kills Keeper at Peru, Indiana.

Peru, Ind., April 25—Henry Huffman of Columbus, Ohio, the well known animal trainer with the Wallace shows, met a horrible death this afternoon, being killed by "Big Charley" a monster elephant, while the elephant was bathing in the Mississinewa river. The elephant wound his trunk about Huffman, and hurled him far into the stream. The keeper was uninjured, and when he returned the elephant threw him into the water and held him there with his forefoot. Then with a roar that was heard for a mile, the elephant stampeded. Several showmen shot the big elephant, but with no effect. He broke down fences, and roamed about in a big field keeping everybody away from him. Apples loaded with strychnine were thrown to him, and he ate one. An hour later he laid down in terrible agony, and a rifle shot settled him.

"Big Charley" weighed over three tons and was valued at $10,000. In his lifetime he had killed four men.

BANK AT LUDLOW ROBBED.

Safe Wrecked With Nitro Glycerine and $8,000 Secured.

Urbana, Ill, April 25—A crookesman robbed a bank at Ludlow last night, after destroying a safe with a charge of nitroglycerine and made off with $8000. No clew.

Ben Pate Hangs Himself.

Danville, April 24—Ben Pate, 83 years old, who had lived all his life in Catlin township, hanged himself at his home three miles southwest of Catlin. It is believed that he was insane at the time he committed the deed and the jury so decided. He told his sister and others recently that his father, the late George Pate, told him something on his death bed that had never caused to ring in his ears. His relations do not know what it was, but they believe it was something pertaining to religion.

MEET WITH ROOT

Secretary of War Represents McKinley in Dealing With Cubans.

THE FACT IS MADE PLAIN

That No Change in Platt Amendment Can Be Made.

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The Cuban delegation from the convention framing the constitution for the new island republic saw President McKinley twice today and once in the early part of the day when there were introductions and formal exchange of expressions of friendship between the United States and Cuba and again at night, when the members of the delegation were guests of honor at a state dinner at the White House. The real business which brought the delegation here was transacted with Secretary Root at the war department, and President McKinley in the forenoon interview at the White House saying to the delegates he would confer with the secretary who would act as his representative in the conference over Cuban situation. The delegation and Secretary Root were closeted some hours this afternoon on a discussion of relations of the island to the United States. Great secrecy was observed as to the conference the statement being made that after results were reached some news as to the conclusions might be made public.

THE DINNER.

The guests invited to meet the members of the Cuban constitutional committee at the White House was thoroughly representative of the executive, legislative and judicial branches of the government and included members of the cabinet, senators and representatives who have been prominent in discussion of insular affairs, justices of the supreme court, officers of the army and navy. The dinner was limited exclusively to gentlemen and covers were set for 47. The guests assembled in the east room where formal introductions were made, after which the party proceeded to the state dining room where dinner was served.

CONFERENCE WITH ROOT.

The most important meeting of the day was the conference in Secretary Root's office from 3 until 6 o'clock this afternoon. This was the first business meeting, the others having been social and formal. Those present were the five Cuban delegates, their interpreter, Secretary Root, General Wood, Assistant Secretary Sanger, Senor Guanelas and General Wood's secretary, who acted as interpreter a great portion of the time.

The army officers who are acting as an escort for the Cubans were also present. When the meeting adjourned no official statement was made as to the proceedings but it can be said the result is considered satisfactory both by the Cubans and Secretary Root. The business is not completed and the conference will reassemble tomorrow afternoon.

NO MODIFICATION.

It was made plain to the Cubans by Secretary Root that no modification of the Platt amendment could be made by the executive department of the government and the Cubans themselves understand there is little possibility of congressional action in that direction, so the conference was devoted largely to the construction which could be placed upon the amendment. The law states the propositions contained in the amendment shall be "substantially" agreed to by the Cubans and the discussion resolved chiefly around what will be considered a "substantial" agreement to the Platt amendment requirements. There are some very fine legal sparring between Secretary Root and Senor Capote, president of the constitutional convention and chairman of the delegation, as to the meaning of the amendment and the meaning of certain proposed drafts of different propositions that were considered. The intervention proposition caused the most discussion, and as this had received much consideration in the convention in Havana. The Cubans are familiar with all phases of construction that might be placed upon it. It is understood the Cubans are impressed with the desire on the part of the government to deal fairly by Cuba and the belief is expressed that the delegation will take home favorable reports of our intentions. The delegation made no complaint of the present military government under General Wood. After the conference had adjourned the Cubans called on General Wood at the Richmond. Tomorrow Secretary Root will entertain the delegates at luncheon.

Congressman Babcock Wedded

New York, April 25—Congressman Joseph W. Babcock of Wisconsin, was married at White Plains today to Mrs. Kate King of Chicago. The wedding took place at the home of Mrs. Fred A. Watkins, a sister of the bride. Only relatives were present. Mr. and Mrs. Babcock will sail Saturday for Naples.

Fined Ten Shillings.

London April 25—Sir Alle Ashmead-Bartlett M. P., was today fined ten shillings in the police court for assaulting a lawyer's clerk who had endeavored to serve him with a bankruptcy notice.

POINTS AGAINST CALLAHAN.

Important Testimony Against Pat Crowe's Partner.

Omaha, Neb., April 25.—In the trial of James Callahan, for the kidnaping of Edward Cudahy, Jr., today, young Cudahy positively and absolutely identified Callahan as the "dark man" who put a pistol to his head, made him a prisoner, guarded him most of the time he was confined in the prison house, and who walked down street with him and bade him good bye when released. Cudahy said he was as certain of the identity of Callahan as he was of the identity of his father or mother.

On cross-examination the boy admitted that he identified Callahan principally by his voice and that he had gone over the case with General Cowen as to what his testimony would be.

The state made a strong point against Callahan, when John Rabbe, a young carpenter living about a block from Callahan's sister, Mrs. Kelly, testified to knowing Pat Crowe and that Crowe called at Mrs. Kelly's where Callahan was living, about 20 times, between October 23, when Kelly's moved there, and the time of the kidnaping. He said Crowe always came the same way and went in the back door without stopping to knock. The last time the witness saw Pat at the Kelly house was December 14, four days before the kidnaping. The peg which the kidnapers rode to telephone information to the Cudahy residence played its part this afternoon in connecting James Callahan with the crime. Daniel Burris of North Omaha recognized the little boat now in evidence as one he sold to two strangers last October. In one of them he recognized James Callahan.

MACHINIST ORGANIZING.

Eight Big Railroads Represented—Demand On Central.

Chicago, April 25—Four allied unions, representing the entire system of eight railroads, are holding meetings in Chicago with the view of making demands for new agreements, including higher wages, shorter hours and recognition of standard definitions, and which will define clearly the rights of apprentices.

The trades represented at the conference, which is being held in the name of the International Association of Machinists, are the machinists, boiler makers, blacksmiths and pointers. Although the leaders in the movement will not disclose the names of all the roads involved, it is stated they are the following:

Illinois Central, Wisconsin Central, Great Western, Alton, Eastern Illinois, Burlington, Northwestern, Louisville & Nashville. Today a committee representing the machinists of the entire Illinois Central system called upon Rossbe, superintendent of machinery, and presented an agreement containing twenty-six articles, calling for a nine hour day and a scale with a minimum of 30 cents per hour. The present maximum is 30 cents, and the minimum 25 cents with a ten hour day.

Rossbe stated he would give a decision tomorrow.

Up to the Record.

New Castle, Pa., April 25.—Both the Shenango and Mahoning rivers are rising tonight and are now above all previous records except the flood of 1893. Near Pulaski the Shenango covered the Pennsylvania railroad tracks for more than a mile. Portions of the city are already under water. Mahoning is the greatest sufferer in this respect and residents of Montgomery street had to leave their homes.

Travis Still Champion.

New York, April 25.—Walter J. Travis, of the Garden City Golf club, sustained the title of amateur champion of the United States Golf association on the Lakewood golf links, today, making a total of 148 for 36 holes. Findlay Douglas, former amateur champion, made a total of 178.

Agree on Prices.

Dubuque, Ia., April 25.—The northwestern furniture manufacturers' association in convention here today re-elected the old officers, and adjourned to meet in Burlington next year. They discussed trade conditions and agreed upon a standard of prices.

Mail Carrier Drowned.

Athens, Ohio, April 25.—S. B. McGeon, mail carrier between Stewart and New England, was drowned last night while trying to cross a swollen creek. Two mail sacks containing valuable matter were swept away.

Steamship Arrivals.

Antwerp, April 25.—Nederland from Philadelphia.

Havre—LaLorraine from New York.

Liverpool—Majestic from New York.

Cherbourg—Pretoria from New York for Hamburg.

Minister Conger Arrives.

San Francisco, Cal., April 25.—Minister Conger arrived this afternoon on the steamer Nippon Maru.

WEATHER FORECAST

Washington, April 26—The signal service prediction for Illinois is as follows: Fair Friday; warmer in the northwest portion; fresh easterly winds. Saturday partly cloudy, possibly showers and cooler.

LOCAL WEATHER RECORD.

The following is the record for the past twenty-four hours at Decatur for the twenty-four hours ending last night, as reported by Prof. Cheerbal, United States observer at this point:

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Noon	72	Lowest	49
7:00 p. m.	64	Precip.	0.00

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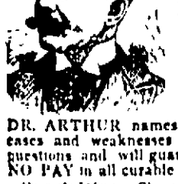

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DOUBLE WEDDING TUESDAY

Interesting Ceremony Witnessed at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

A very pretty double wedding took place Monday afternoon at the Cumberland Presbyterian church. The principals were Will B. Hawkins and Miss Clara O. Vaughn, both of this city, and Rev. James H. Norris of Tarentum, Pa., and Miss Carrie J. Henry of this city.

The church was beautifully decorated with white carnations, smilax and potted palms, the work of the Senior Endeavor society. At exactly 3 o'clock Miss Ethel Ashmore commenced the wedding march and the bridal party entered the church. One couple proceeded down each aisle to the space before the rostrum which was banked with palms. There they were met by Rev. A. W. Hawkins and Rev. J. W. McDonald of this city, and Rev. J. S. Keeper of Blue Mound. The introductory service was read by Rev. J. W. McDonald and when the vows were reached, Rev. A. W. Hawkins performed the marriage ceremony for his son Will and Miss Vaughn and Rev. J. S. Keener did the same for Rev. Norris and Miss Henry. The concluding prayer and benediction were pronounced by Rev. J. W. McDonald.

The brides, who are cousins, were attired similarly in costumes of white organdy made with tucks and vertical rows of lace insertion, and trimmed with white satin ribbon. They carried brides' roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins left Monday afternoon for St. Louis, where they will spend their honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. Norris went to Blue Mound where they will spend a few days visiting the family of Rev. Norris' uncle before proceeding to the groom's home at Tarentum, Pa. Will Hawkins is the son of Rev. A. W. Hawkins of this city and has a position with B. Stine Clothing company. Rev. J. H. Norris graduated last week from the Lebanon Theological Seminary at Lebanon, Tenn., and will be ordained to the ministry in two weeks at his home in Tarentum, Pa. Both of the young ladies are well known in church and social circles in this city.

The ushers were Clyde Bankson, George Flint, Stephen Dollinger, Charles Armstrong and Leslie Birch.

The following persons were present from out of the city: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frantz, Mrs. Sarah Bankson and Wilbelt Bankson of Bethany, Miss Kate Wasson of Lincoln, Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Keener of Blue Mound and Mr. and Mrs. John Price of Argenta.

DEATH RECORD.

HARKRADER.

Mrs. Pauline A. Harkrader, wife of Isaac Harkrader of this city died of meningitis Tuesday afternoon at Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. She had been there under treatment for about ten days but her condition had been growing worse for several days.

Mrs. Harkrader's maiden name was Young and she was born in Ohio in 1850. She is survived by her husband and two children, James and Ona Harkrader, a brother, Jasper Young, and three sisters, Mrs. John T. Stewat of Orcana, Mrs. Elmira Hunt of Chicago and Mrs. J. Turner of this city. The funeral will be held Thursday from the Presbyterian church at Macon.

MRS. C. KINSER.

Mrs. Cyrena Kinser of 506 East Monroe street, died yesterday at noon after a lingering illness. Deceased was over 85 years of age, was born in Ohio and moved with her family to Decatur 44 year years ago. Some three years ago she moved to this city to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Bowen. Mrs. Kinser leaves the following children: H. C. and C. C. Kinser, of Eureka Springs, Ark.; J. Kinser of New Orleans; Lewis of Prairie Hall, Ill.; Samuel of Chicago; Mrs. D. Tanner of Hoopeston; Mrs. Mary J. Nicholson of Decatur, and Mrs. H. A. Kinser and Mrs. F. A. Brown of this city. The remains will be taken to Decatur for interment.—Bloomington Pantagraph.

MRS. M. R. WARFIELD.

Mrs. M. R. Warfield, mother of C. T. Warfield, formerly of Decatur, died at her residence in Cerro Gordo, April 22. Mrs. Warfield was well known to a great many Decatur people, and had a host of friends in her own town. She was 68 years of age, and is survived by Mrs. L. C. Rucker of Decatur, Mrs. I. N. Overley of Pilsen, Ill., W. T. Warfield and Mrs. C. M. Cox of Cerro Gordo, C. T. Warfield of Peoria, and W. C. Warfield of Dayton, Ohio. All her children were present at her death. The funeral will be held at the residence in Cerro Gordo Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. The burial will be at North Fork cemetery.

THE FIRM STAND BY JAPAN

Was All That Prevented Russia Seizing Manchuria.

Yokohama, April 12, via Victoria, April 23.—There is no doubt that Japan's deadly earnestness in her intention to draw the sword against Russia should the latter persist in designs upon Manchuria, has saved the situation in the far east. Everything was in readiness for striking the blow with every vessel in the navy in condition of perfect efficiency, with a huge transport service thoroughly organized and with an army of 200,000 ready at a moment's notice and with the sentiment of the nation behind it. All this was thoroughly known at St. Petersburg, and it became the determining factor in bringing about Russia's backdown. The latter has made a fatal blunder in her generally astute diplomacy.

A few weeks ago there was a general disposition to let her have Manchuria as recognition of her manifest destiny but her attempt to make secret and independent treaty with China has made all that a thing of the past.

Japan is in no mood now to le the matter rest with the simple rejection of the Manchurian convention. Having pricked the bubble of Russia's protection and revealed the weakness of the northern power it is not significant that 24 hours had not elapsed without almost a unanimous demand on the part of the press of this empire that a yet bolder stand be taken and that Manchuria be in some definite way safeguarded for all time against Russian encroachment.

DEFENDS THEM

Minister Conger Tells About the Foreign Missionaries in China.

LOOT CHARGE EXAGGERATED

Upholds Their Conduct Before During and After the Siege.

Victoria, B. C., April 23—In an interview with the Kobe Herald, Minister Conger, who is on his way to San Francisco said:

"There really was no action on the part of the missionaries there that was not entirely justified, when the circumstances are known. The missionaries did not loot. The missionaries found 2000 men and women on their hands. There was no government, no organized authority. There were houses of men who had been firing on the foreign quarter and directing the attacking leaders of the Boxers; their property had been abandoned, as a result of a state of war, and it was taken in order to succor the hundreds of suffering and destitute Chinese whose lives the original owners had been laboring to destroy. Winter was coming on and measures of some kind were imperative and the appropriation of the property for the end in view was unquestionably justified.

"That briefly is the situation. I am prepared to justify the conduct of the American missionaries before the siege, during the siege and after the siege. If you wish to get the facts there is a missionary board who would probably give you all the particulars you want."

THREATENED DROWNING.

Dr. Ament, a missionary, told the reporter that the goods taken by so-called loot committees were goods left in the stores by people who sought refuge in the legation during the siege and the goods were taken to prevent destruction. Clothes and bedding were given the men working upon the barricades and the committee handed Sir Claude MacDonald a key to a room in which the valuables were stored. These goods were sold and the proceeds distributed among the British soldiers. His mission received but $75.

Previous to this a sale of garments and curios was held and $400 netted was given the American mission board. Most of the goods were taken from buildings military authorities had ordered burned. Some goods were restored to the owners and other owners were recompensed for their losses.

Ament explained the sale of the goods in the Mongul prince's house where he took up his quarters by saying they were without food and sold the goods on the advice of Conger. Had they not taken possession of the place they would have been destroyed by Russians. About $4000 were realized by this sale which was devoted to the needs of native Christians. In conclusion Ament said:

"Chinese damned up the canal and were going to drown us out. They supposed the foreigners had subterranean burrows in which to take refuge and were certain that underground passages had been made from the legation to Fu, for they resolved to drown us out like rats in a trap.

A MASSACRE IN BRAZIL

Hostile Indians Destroy Catholic Mission and Inmates.

New York, April 23.—The Times, tomorrow, will say:

"News has just reached here of the complete destruction in Maranguone, Brazil, of the Roman Catholic mission established here a few years ago, by the Capuchin fathers by a band of hostile Indians.

The mission, which was organized in 1896, is situated in a desolate district, but the missionaries have been successful in their efforts to evangelize the natives and had already founded two orphan asylums. It is known that four of the Capuchin fathers, all Italians, from the province of Milan, and seven Capuchin sisters and more than 100 of their little charges were massacred.

HANGED AT THE COURT HOUSE

Ten nessee Mob Disposes of Wyatt Mallory, Negro Murderer.

Nashville, April 23—Tonight at 9 o'clock a mob of 100 forcibly entered the courthouse at Springfield, Tenn., and took Wyatt Mallory, a negro, from the officers and hanged him from the courthouse veranda. The body was then riddled with bullets. The leader of the mob warned the sheriff not to interfere with the corpse until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning and late tonight it was still swinging from the place of execution. Yesterday at Adams, Mallory fatally wounded J. H. Farmer, a white man.

"I don't think much of the fellow who boasts of his artistic temperament," said the Manayunk Philosopher. "He usually wants to borrow money."

CRUSHED THE CAR

Street Car Caught at Eldorado Street Crossing of the Illinois Central.

MOTORMAN RILEY JUMPED

No One Was Injured But the Car Was Badly Damaged—Accident Happened in Daylight.

Car No. 25 of the Decatur Traction company was badly wrecked last evening by coming in collision with a moving Illinois Central freight train at the East Eldorado street crossing of the railroad. There were several passengers besides the motorman on the car at the time but all escaped without any injury.

It was about 5.30 in the evening as the car approached the crossing from the east side and Motorman Riley brought the car to a standstill as the crossing was blocked by Illinois Central freight train No. 104, north bound. The train crew had to do some switching and the train was cut in two and the engine, with about seven cars, pulled north past the crossing, leaving it open.

The motorman says that the flagman and one of the brakemen signaled him to come on with the car and he turned on the power. At about the same moment the train began to back up toward the crossing and before the car could be gotten out of the way the collision occurred. The train struck the street car in the front end. Motorman Riley saw the danger and jumped off and it was fortunate for him that he got out of the way or he surely would have met with serious injury at least for the front end of the car, including the platform was a total wreck.

The car was knocked off the track and ground north and south, parallel with the railroad tracks. The trainmen apparently did not notice the danger of a collision but as soon as they heard the crash of the breaking timber the train was brought to a standstill, but by that time the damage had been done. It was the worst wreck that has occurred to a street car in this city. No. 25 is the old car which was rebuilt by the Traction company and had been placed on new trucks and fitted up in handsome style and was considered one of the best cars on the line. It is now plainly out of business. The upright iron posts on the front platform have been broken and the roof is torn almost off. The heavy timbers in the side of the car are broken and the sides cracked and splintered like kindling wood. All the glass on one side of the car was shattered and it is doubtful if the body of the car can be repaired. The trucks and working parts of the car did not seem to be seriously damaged.

Officers of the street car company were at once notified of the accident and they had the car removed to the barn, where it will rest for a time.

The crash of the collision was heard plainly at the station and sounded like two trains had come together. The freight was in charge of Conductor Abrell and Engineer Risinger. A man at the depot who witnessed the accident says that the freight train was cut in two for the purpose of allowing the engine to take water at the standpipe and that the engine run up too far north and then started to back up to the water, spout not knowing that the street car was attempting to pass over he crossing.

Deaths of the Day.

H. O. SCHEREMERHORN.

Grand Rapids, April 23—Henry O. Schermerhorn, county supervisor, died today, aged 71.

COL. HAZZARD.

Monongahela, Pa., April 23—Col. Chill W. Hazzard, editor and proprietor of the Monongahela Republican, is dead at his home here of paralysis. Hazzard was Past Supreme Chancellor of the Royal Arcanum, Past Commander of the G. A. R., and member of the Loyal Legion and Knights Templar.

DR. J. H. WOODBURN.

Indianapolis, April 23—Dr. James H. Woodburn, formerly superintendent for the hospital for the insane, died suddenly today in a street car.

REV. J. C. FLETCHER.

Los Angeles, April 23—Rev. Dr. J. C. Fletcher died today of paralysis, aged 78. He was at one time charge d'affaires of this government at Rio Janeiro. He was a classmate of Longfellow's daughter, who lives in London, and author of "Mismet" and "Andromeda."

Catholic Alumni Banquet.

Washington, April 23—The Catholic clergy and laymen from all sections of the United States representing the alumni of the Catholic university of America assembled tonight to attend the seventh annual banquet of the alumni association. James L. Kennedy, one of the vice presidents of the association officiated as toastmaster. The invited guests including Cardinal Gibbons, Manager Conaty, rector of the university, Rev. Dr. Manlen, president of St. Mary's seminary at Baltimore, W. Bruce, president of Columbia university alumni association, Rev. J. A Burns, president of the Holy Cross college.

Strike at Murphysboro.

Carbondale, Ill., April 23.—The employes of the skewer factory of Wolf, Sayer & Keller at Murphysboro, went on a strike demanding shorter hours and recognition of the Amalgamated Wood Workers' Union of America. The plant has been closed temporarily.

Births.

Born, Monday, April 22, to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Patterson, at their home, 1202 North Main street, a son.

Born—To E. B. Cochran and wife of 900 East Eldorado street, a daughter, April 19.

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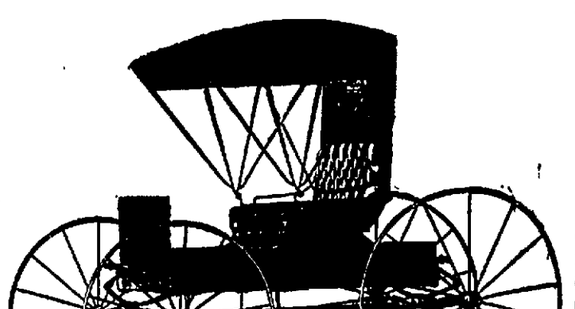

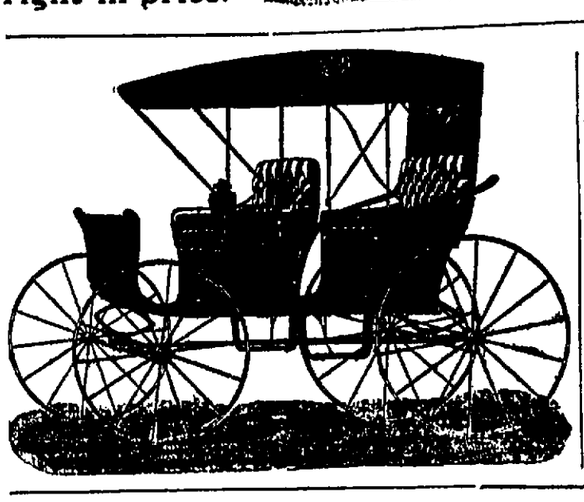

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Big Strike Will End.

Columbus, Ohio, April 23.—The big strike of 2500 miners in the sub-district number 2 which commenced Monday was broken late yesterday by signing of the miners' scale by Schenck & Co. of Bellaire. The action, it is believed, will be followed immediately by other operators along the Ohio river.

NIANTIC.

Died on Monday, April 22, at her home near Niantic, Nina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Waddell of consumption. Funeral Wednesday at 10 a. m., from the Christian church conducted by Rev. J. R. Parker.

The proposition to build a new school house was voted on Saturday, and carried by a large majority. George Jacobson was elected school director.

Mrs. Laughlin of near Niantic died of consumption. The funeral occurred Monday and interment at Harristown.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Hall visited their daughter, Mrs. Lucy Culp near Bement. While there, Russel, their little son, took the mumps. His parents left him with his sister for recovery, returning without him Monday.

Chas. Abel, Shelby Whaley, James Hall and Ide Stout, Robbie Moore have measles. Fred Monical has mumps.

Mrs. Stein has sold her property on Lewis Street to Charles Taylor.

Henry Cruikshanks and A. L. Stout will leave soon for Indian Territory.

April 23.

CLINTON.

Mrs. Arthur Burns of Chicago is visiting relatives in Clinton.

Don Bailey of Champaign, spent Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. Lucy Porter has returned from a few weeks' visit in Chicago.

Dr. John Warner and Joseph Frendenstine went to Attica, Ind., Monday for a few weeks.

Will Carter and wife of Kingfisher, Oklahoma, are visiting the former's parents.

Miss Ella Ready of St. Louis, who has been the guest of her brother, W. B. Ready, has returned home.

Guy Hall of Mendota visited Clinton relatives here Monday.

Miss Edna Runback, who has been making her home in Galesburg, has returned to Clinton.

P. N. Williams has sold his property and will go to Portorville, Cal., to reside. Mrs. Williams, son Clarence and daughter Nellie, will go this week.

Dr. Bogardus went to Chicago Monday to attend the commencement exercises of the Chicago Homeopathic Medical college. His brother, Fred, was one of the graduates.

Mrs. H. P. Rucker went to Chicago and St. Paul, Minn., Monday, for a visit.

The residence of Walter Banks has been quarantined. Two of the children have scarlet fever.

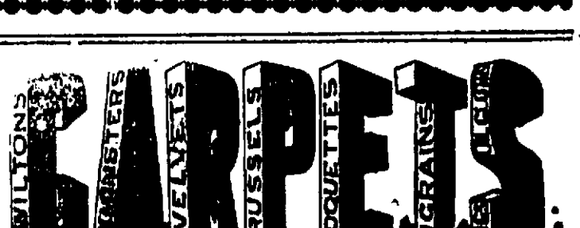
Harry Wilson spent Sunday in Springfield.

P. A. Leonard of Chicago was the guest of Clinton friends over Sunday.

April 23.

Death of a Millionaire.

San Diego Cal., April 23.—Artemus Lamb, a millionaire, of Clinton, Ia., died today at the hotel Coronado from dropsy. While on his way here three months ago, Mr. Lamb was injured in a railroad accident and his death is attributed to the injuries then received.



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EASTMAN TRIAL

Harvard Professor is Accused of Murdering His Brother-in-Law.

WILL BE SENSATIONAL CASE

Grogan in an Ante-Mortem Statement Accused Eastman of Crime.

Cambridge, April 23—The trial of Prof. Charles H. Eastman upon the charge of murdering his brother-in-law, Richard H. Grogan, Jr., July 4, last, was formally opened in the Superior court of East Cambridge today. Assistant District Attorney George A. Sanderson made the opening statement for the government, describing in detail the relationship of the accused, and the deceased, the premises on which they lived, and the surroundings of the place where the shooting occurred. The government would show, he said, that after the shooting the two men were seen to be struggling for what appeared to be a large revolver; that Grogan was heard to shout "Oh don't, Oh don't!" followed by "Charles, you have murdered me," and that Grogan made these statements just before his death: "Charles Eastman has murdered me. He shot me twice. He did it purposely," and "There is the man who shot me," pointing to Eastman. It has claimed that Eastman must have been close to Grogan as the former's clothes were burned by a shot from the pistol which he says fired at him by Grogan.

The chief witness today was Medical Examiner Wm. Swan, who gave in detail the indication of Grogan's body. Quite little was caused by the witness' statement. He had performed a second autopsy on Grogan's body at the tomb in Mount Auburn cemetery, when he removed a piece of the fifth rib and a fragment of a bone which he sawed at the first autopsy.

Defense had been given no notice that a second autopsy was to be held. During Swan's cross examination the question asked by Counsel Bartlett seemed to indicate the defense would claim the bullet fired in court was not one taken from Grogan's body.

THE CRIMES OF ONE DAY

Murder at a Colored Festival—Father Murders Five Children.

Hopkinsville, Ky., April 23—Assault West and William Hutchinson, been accidentally broke their whisky bottles in Oldham, at a colored festival replied with a pistol, mortally wounding Hutchinson, and injuring William George Knox, a bystander.

FATHER MURDERS CHILDREN.

Chartres, France, April 23—Suspicion the brutal murder of five children who occurred here yesterday now falls upon father of the children, who has been arrested. It is suggested the father murdered the children in a fit of drunken madness.

ROBBERS KILL SALOON KEEPER.

Chicago, April 2—William Lee, a saloon keeper, was probably fatally shot by two masked robbers early today. The men escaped without having secured any booty.

TRAMPS KILL POLICEMAN.

Joplin, Mo., April 23—Policeman C. B. Sweasey was shot and killed, and Officer Bert Brannon was fatally wounded this morning while attempting to arrest a gang of five tramps found in a box car. Pressed, the fifth, James Roby, of St. Louis, gave himself up.

LINSTROM WAS MURDERED.

New York, Neb., April 23—The supposed suicide of A. G. Linstrom, a well to do farmer, was declared by a coroner's jury today to have been murder. The affair is shrouded in deep mystery. Mrs. Linstrom claims to have yesterday found her husband lying in a pool of blood beside the sleeping nine-year-old son, with a bullet in his brain, apparently from a 32-calibre rifle lying beside the bed.

Callahan on Trial.

Omaha, April 23—James Callahan, alleged kidnapper of Edward Cudahy, jr., was placed on trial today on the charge of robbery of $25,000, the amount of ransom paid by Cudahy for the return of the boy. The morning's session was occupied in trying to secure a jury.

After examining thirty talesmen, twelve men were secured, who are acceptable to both sides, and tomorrow the prosecution will begin offering testimony.

Michigan's Taxation Bill.

Lansing, Mich., April 23—The house tonight passed the Chandler taxation bill. The bill was passed by the house a year ago. Then it provided for taxation of railroad, telegraph, telephone and express companies according to the ad valorem system. As the senate passed the bill it provides for the taxation of railroad property only, and was further amended so as to establish a separate commission instead of the state tax commission shall assess the railroad property.

Died On His Wife's Grave.

North Platte, Neb., April 23.—Mr. Rice, city marshal and president of the board of education, went to the cemetery today, took poison and died on his wife's grave. He has been drinking hard recently.

Fell From Foot Logs.

Asheville, O., April 23—Mrs. Irwin and three children, while attempting to cross a foot log over Little Beaver, fell into the stream. The child was drowned.

Lowest Tax.

Albany, N. Y., April 23—The state rate for the next fiscal year was 1.61 mills, the lowest in forty years.

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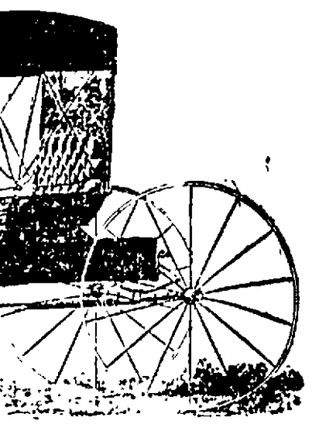

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...witness today was Medical Ex... Swan, who gave in detail his ... of Gregan's body. Quite a ...ence was led by the witness' statement ...that he found a second autopsy on ...body at the tomb in Mount Au... ...where he removed a piece ...rib and a fragment of a bone ...found at the first autopsy.

...been given no notice that a ...ade, as was to be held. During ...examination the questions ...ed by Counsel Bartlett seemed to indi... ...defense would claim the bullet ...in court was not one taken from ...'s body.

THE CRIMES OF ONE DAY.

Murder at a Colored Festival—Father Murders Five Children.

...ville, Ky., April 23—Assaulted ...West and William Hutchinson, because ...accidentally broke their whisky bottle, ...dance at a colored festival replied ...a pistol, mortally wounding West ...Hutchinson, and injuring William and ...Hodge, not a bystander.

FATHER MURDERS CHILDREN.

Chartres, France, April 23—Suspicion in the brutal murder of five children which occurred here yesterday now falls upon the ...of the children, who has been ar... It is suggested the father murdered the children in a fit of drunken mad...

...BERS KILL SALOON KEEPER.

...go, April 23—William Lee, a south ...saloon keeper, was probably fatally ...by two masked robbers early today. ...man escaped without having secured ...booty.

TRAMPS KILL POLICEMAN.

Joplin, Mo., April 23—Policeman Chas. ...was shot and killed, and Offi... ...Bennett was fatally wounded this ...while attempting to arrest a gang ...tramps found in a box car. Four ...the fifth, James Roby, of St. ...gave himself up.

LINSTROM WAS MURDERED.

...Neb., April 23—The supposed ...of A. O. Linstrom, a wealthy ...farmer, was declared by a coroner's jury ...day to have been murder. The affair is ...shrouded in deep mystery. Mrs. Linstrom ...claims to have yesterday found her hus...band lying in a pool of blood inside their ...adjoining nine-year-old son, with a bullet ...in his brain, apparently from a 32-calibre ...lying beside the bed.

Callahan on Trial.

Omaha, April 23—James Callahan, the ...alleged kidnapper of Edward Cudahy, Jr., was placed on trial today on the charge of ...robbery of $25,000, the amount of ransom ...by Cudahy for the return of the boy. ...morning's session was occupied in try...to secure a jury.

...examining thirty talesmen, twelve ...were secured, who are acceptable to both sides and tomorrow the prosecution will begin offering testimony.

Michigan's Taxation Bill.

Lansing, Mich., April 23—The senate tonight passed the Chandler taxation bill. The bill was passed by the house a week ago. That it provides for taxation of railroad, telegraph, telephone and express companies according to the ad valorem system. As the senate passed the bill tonight it provides for the taxation of railroad property only, and was further amended so that a separate commission instead of a state tax commission shall assess the rail...

Died On His Wife's Grave.

North Platte, Neb., April 23.—Harry ..., city marshal and president of the Board of Education, went to the cemetery today, took poison and died on his wife's grave. He has been drinking hard recently.

Fell From Foot Logs.

Ashe..., O., April 23—Mrs. Frank ...and three children, while attempting to cross a foot log over Little Walnut creek, fell into the stream. The oldest child was drowned.

Lowest Tax.

Albany, N. Y., April 23—The state tax rate for the next fiscal year was fixed at 1.61 mills, the lowest in forty years.

...TTE-ST. LOUIS WORLD'S FAIR

National Committee Meets and Organizes—A Banquet.

St. Louis, April 23—This afternoon articles of incorporation for the world's fair to be held in 1903, to celebrate the Louisiana purchase centennial, were filed in the office of recorder of deeds and tomorrow similar papers will be filed with the secretary of state. The capital stock is $5,000,000, of which $5,000,000 is subscribed and $500,000 paid up.

With the exception of ex-Congressman M. H. Glynn, all nine members of the national committee were present tonight at the meeting called to order by Senator Thurston, at which an informal discussion of the world's fair matters was held behind closed doors. Ex-Senator Thurston was selected president pro tempore and Frederic A. Betts of Connecticut, temporary secretary. At the Planter's hotel this evening a banquet was given by the Business Men's league in honor of the national committee. More than three hundred plates were laid in the main dining room.

The speaking began at a late hour, after the discussion of a lengthy menu. Hon. Nathan Frank, toastmaster, made the introductory address, after which ex-Mayor Walbridge, welcomed the guests of the evening. Ex-Senator Thomas Carter of Montana, responded on behalf of the guests.

Speaking to toasts followed by Hon. John M. Thurston, of Nebraska; Hon. W. M. Lindsay of Kentucky; Hon. Alex. M. Dockery, Hon. B. D. Francis of St. Louis; W. M. H. Thomson of St. Louis, Congressman Jos. G. Cannon of Illinois, and Mayor Rolla Wells of St. Louis.

THE NEGRO PORTER MAY DIE

Injuries Inflicted By Train Robbers May Prove Fatal.

Little Rock, Ark., April 23.—The Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf passenger train, which was held up at midnight four miles west of Memphis, arrived here this morning a half hour late. Sidney Drew, a negro porter, who was shot by the bandit, was taken to the hospital. His condition is serious and he may die. The express messenger, Mendor, was badly beaten over the head and shoulder with a pistol but he continued the run. The passengers were not molested. Frank W. Haskell, local agent of the Wells Fargo Express company, could not estimate the amount the robbers secured but it is said to be over $3000.

THE NEW M. AND P. SYSTEM

Plan to Be Followed in Acquiring Denver and Rio Grande.

New York, April 23—The Mail and Express says: "It was admitted today by persons close to the Missouri Pacific that the amount of new stock used in the purchase of the Denver & Rio Grande will not exceed $6,000,000. The remainder of the $30,000,000 to be authorized will be issued from time to time as the company finds it advantageous to secure new properties. The company is making a conspicuous point of its financial methods to be employed in the general scheme of creating the new Missouri Pacific system.

DOREMUS ORDERED HOME.

Judge Haney Rules There Is No Ground For Holding Him.

Chicago, April 23—Abram F. Doremus, proprietor of the laundry in which a number of employes were killed, and a score injured by a boiler explosion, was released today on order of Judge Haney. Doremus was held to the grand jury on the charge of manslaughter. In reviewing the case the court declared there was no evidence to establish the contention that crime had been committed or to connect Doremus with explosion.

Ore Land Sold.

Pittsburg, April 23—Jones & Laughlins, limited, have purchased from Peter L. Kimberly of Sharon, Pa., several thousand acres of fine ore properties in the Mesaba region. The prices paid are said to be $2,250,000. The ore vein is from ten to fifteen feet in depth, and the ore practically unlimited. It is within easy reach of the shipping point of Escanaba.

Froze to Death at Nome.

Seattle, April 23—Partial confirmations of the rumors of death by freezing were received today. The Nome Gold Digger of January 30, reports several persons as having perished, among them Dr. Polton who came from California, Dr. W. F. Baum, of Alabama and Dr. Tam. In addition Alexander Snow, and two unknown men were found dead.

George M. Allen Dying.

Denver, April 23—George M. Allen, recently assigned to the rural free delivery service, with Denver as headquarters, is lying at the point of death at St. James' hotel. A lesion of brain developed from an attack of pneumonia. Allen was for eighteen years editor of the Terre Haute Express.

Later: Allen died tonight.

The Inevitable Result.

Indianapolis, April 23—At Southport seven miles southeast of here this morning the family of John James was caught in a burning house, and an infant was burned to death, James and his wife and two children, were frightfully burned. The fire was the result of an attempt of Mrs. James to start the fire with kerosene.

Sieloff Wins.

Oshkosh, Wis., April 23—Otto Sieloff, Chicago, was given a decision in an eight round glove contest with Martin Duy of this city, tonight.

Swindled Street Car Company.

Washington, April 23.—Systematic frauds practiced on the lines of the Washington Traction and Electric company to the extent probably of $50,000 were discovered and eight employes are under arrest charged with conspiracy. It is claimed that punched tickets were turned in which should have been burned were resold to the conductors at a dollar per hundred, the conductors substituting them for good tickets.

CUBA'S POSITION

Peace With Americans Without Absolute Independence is Impossible.

ENVOYS AT CAPITAL TODAY

Will Discuss the Platt Amendment With President McKinley.

Jacksonville, April 23.—The Cuban constitutional committee which arrived here last night left this morning for Washington.

General Rafael Portupondo, one of the committee, defined Cuba's position as follows:

"Ninety-nine per cent of the Cuban people desire absolute independence. It is their wish that military occupation by the United States come to an end at once.

"Peace with Americans without independence of Cuba is impossible—I mean moral peace.'"

Washington, April 23.—Gen. Domingo Papoto, one of the foremost leaders in Cuba, at the head of a commission comprising Pagros, Betancourt, Gen. Rafael M. Portuondo, Dr. Diego Tamayo and Dr. Pedro Gonzales Llorente, will arrive here tomorrow and call on President McKinley.

They come to confer with the administration on the relations of Cuba to the United States and to explain why the Cubans are opposed to the terms of independence proposed in what is known as the Platt amendment, which passed the last American congress.

The commission is accompanied by Ferdo M. Betenes, interpreter; Col. M. M. Corronado, editor of La Discussion; Marquez Sterling, representative of the press of Cuba, and correspondent of El Mundo.

The part of the terms to which the most opposition is made is contained in the following clause of the congressional declaration:

"That the government of Cuba consents that the United States may exercise the right to intervene for the preservation of Cuban independence, the maintenance of a government adequate for the protection of life, property and individual liberty, and for discharging the obligations with respect to Cuba imposed by the treaty of Paris on the United States, now to be assumed and undertaken by the government of Cuba.

"That the Isle of Pines shall be omitted from the proposed constitutional boundaries of Cuba, the title thereto being left to future adjustment by treaty.

"That to enable the United States to maintain the independence of Cuba, and to protect the people thereof, as well for its own defense, the government of Cuba will sell or lease to the United States lands necessary for coaling or naval stations at certain specified points, to be agreed upon with the president of the United States."

PARTISAN FEELING RAN HIGH

The Nationalists Refused Registration on Flimsy Pretexts.

Santiago de Cuba, April 23—Intense partisan excitement here yesterday by the alleged attempt of the republican party to exclude members of the national party from the registration places. It is asserted that hundreds of voters were refused registration certificates on various pretexts, and that the registration boards gave preference to republicans over the nationalists who were ahead of them in the line.

The principal cause of protest arises from the qualification requiring the voter to be able to read and write, the tests being made without regard to age. Many fairly educated applicants were refused certificates because they misspelled certain words. General Whiteside has ordered an investigation.

VENEZUELANS NOT HOSTILE

Minister Loomis Explains Situation to Secretary Hay.

Washington, April 23—Francis B. Loomis, United States minister to Venezuela called on Secretary Hay at the state department today. Loomis elaborated the statements contained in his reports as to his relations with the Venezuelan government, the political conditions of the country. The Venezuelan government, it appears, manifests no hostility against the country and the resentful feeling found no expression outside of private and unofficial quarters. Minister Loomis is in ill health and will go to Europe to recuperate at Carlsbad.

Steamship Arrivals.

Naples, April 23.—Prinzessin Victoria Luise, from Black Sea cruise for Hamburg.

Bremen—Rhein from New York.

New York—Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse from Bremen; Aller from Genoa.

New York—Scotia from Genoa, etc.

Liverpool—Roman and Vancouver from Portland.

Glasgow—Montevideano from Portland.

Gibraltar—Hohenzollern from New York for Naples and Genoa.

Two Regiments Come Home.

Washington, D. C., April 23.—MacArthur today informed the war department that the transport Sherman sailed yesterday via Nagasaki with Generals John C. Bates, Frederick D. Grant, 66 officers and 1695 men of the 45th and 46th infantry, also the transport Kintuck had arrived.

Kipley Took the Hint.

Chicago, Ill., April 23.—Chief of Police Joseph Kipley this evening handed his resignation to Mayor Harrison, having previously ascertained from the mayor that he did not intend to reappoint Kipley, whose term expires Monday.

CINCINNATI WATER BOUND.

But the Ohio Will Reach the High Stage Today.

Cincinnati, O., April 23—The weather bureau announces tonight the river will become stationary here some time tomorrow, and that it will not exceed 59 feet, or 8 feet above what is known as the danger line. The water in the tenement houses along the river front now over ten feet deep from the first floors, will likely be over 13 feet deep from the first floors tomorrow. These tenements are so densely packed that there is no room in the upper stories for extra lodgers. The people were removed from the first floors yesterday and on the second floors today. The coal and lumber yards along the river as well as warehouses in the lower part of the city are submerged. Many barges have been sunk. There has been some damage to other craft. With the Ohio river on the south, the Little Miami on the east, and the raging Mill creek west, Cincinnati tonight is bounded by water on three sides and by hills on the north.

Both passengers and freight trains on all railways are running as usual although most of them are using the suburban depots.

DECIDE ON SIZE OF ARMY.

The Force Will Consist of Seventy-Six Thousand Men.

Washington, April 23.—It has been determined to increase the regular army approximately to 76,000 men and leave it at that number unless conditions in the Philippines should make more troops necessary. The president and Secretary Root reached this conclusion today, and the details will be worked out by the secretary and General Miles. The number of officers appointed will be as originally contemplated. The artillery corps will be increased to its full strength of 16,000 men. Some time ago it was announced that companies of cavalry would contain 65 instead of 60 enlisted men and it is expected infantry companies will also be reduced to bring the total to a figure agreed upon. It has not yet been determined what proportion of troops will be stationed in the Philippines although it is known a large force will be needed there for some time.

MAD FIGHT FOR THE BOATS.

Soldiers and Sailors Struggle for Their Possession on Sinking Transport.

Constantinople, April 23—Latest reports show from 150 to 200 men were drowned or killed at the time of the wreck of the Turkish transport Asian, near Yombo. According to a narrative of a survivor there was savage fighting between the soldiers and sailors for possession of the few boats belonging to the transport.

The captain and a portion of the crew, the survivor adds, seized the boats, and abandoned the ship, stabbing and belaboring with bludgeons the soldiers and pilgrims bound for Mecca, of which latter there were 500 on board, who attempted to enter the boats.

A mad panic ensued, many hurling themselves into the water, where they were drowned. At the expiration of 48 hours from the time the transport went ashore boats from the coast rescued the survivors.

SENATOR MASON'S SHAVE.

Got Hold of Bicycle Cement Instead of Face Lotion.

Washington, April 23—Senator Mason of Illinois, rushed breathlessly into his bathroom a morning or two ago to shave himself. He was late for breakfast. He hastily scraped his triple chins and reached for the tube of face cream he keeps in a closet above the washstand. It happened that his small son had, on the evening before, carefully placed a tube of bicycle cement in the closet, and the senator got the cement instead of the face cream. He daubed his broad expanse of face with the cement before he realized that anything was wrong. The skin specialist he consulted thinks he will have all the cement off the senator's face in a week.

BANK DOORS ARE CLOSED.

Litigation Forces Gilbert Brothers to the Wall.

Salem, Ore., April 23.—The bank of Gilbert Brothers was closed this morning on account of litigation instituted by heirs of the late William Cosper. A large crowd had gathered before the opening hour and a run would have followed had the doors been opened. The deposits are estimated at $20,000 to $125,000.

Health Precautions at Pittsburg

Pittsburg, Pa., April 23.—The official of the Allegheny and Pittsburg Bureau of Health commenced thorough inspection of the flooded districts. Every house inundated will be inspected and the occupants notified to thoroughly cleanse and disinfect it to prevent disease or plague. Work was resumed today at many mills along the river fronts after an enforced shut-down of three days. The rivers continue to recede here and at headwaters.

Presidential Pardons.

Washington, April 23.—The president pardoned Henry Hardee and Walter Glarult, convicted at New Orleans in 1897 and sentenced to eight years in the Ohio penitentiary for embezzling the funds of the American National bank of New Orleans.

Allen's First Report.

Washington, D. C., April 23—The first annual report of affairs of Porto Rico, was presented Secretary Hay today by Governor Allen. It contains many interesting chapters, and covers a wide range of subjects. Generally speaking, it says the island is in a prosperous condition.

Baptist Women Meet.

Muncie, Ind., April 23—Delegates from Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska and Wisconsin came to Muncie today for the convention of the Baptist Women's Missionary society of the west, which began its session tonight.

IS READY TO SIGN

Senate Passes Bill For the Reorganization of Lincoln University.

CIGARETS UNDER THE BAN

Prohibitory Bill Goes Through House by Big Majority--Appointments.

Springfield, April 23.—Chairman Millchrist of the committee on waterways reported to the senate Gilligan's resolution providing for investigation of the affairs of the Chicago sanitary district. It was defeated 20 to 28.

Bills passed to amend the act regulating employment of labor by providing that no person of less than 16 years shall be employed to exceed ten hours per day; to exempt from inheritance tax bequests of religious, educational, scientific, charitable purposes.

The anti-cigaret bill passed by the house was referred to the committee on license and miscellany.

The senate passed bills to exempt from inheritance tax bequests for religious, educational, scientific and charitable purposes, appropriating $68,000 to the Illinois Agricultural College; making an appropriation for expenses of farmers' institutes; to legalize the consolidation of the Moline, Rock Island and Davenport street railway companies; providing title and guarantee companies shall be licensed and inspected by the state auditor and to permit the reorganization of Lincoln University.

CIGS UNDER THE BAN.

The house today passed the bill prohibiting the sale, giving away or bringing into the state, of cigarettes, cigarette paper or any substitute therefor by a vote of 118 to 2.

The house committee on labor and industrial affairs reported favorably the bill to investigate employment agencies.

Several small appropriation bills passed.

The bill providing for an addition of two colored battalions to the naval militia passed.

The house passed bills appropriating $175,000 per annum for the Illinois Central Hospital for the Insane at Jacksonville; appropriating $176,000 per annum for the Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Quincy; appropriating $69,700 for improvements and repairs for the same; appropriating $81,050 per annum for contingent expenses and $71,800 for improvements in the State Home for Juvenile Female Offenders at Geneva.

MORE APPOINTMENTS.

The governor sent in the following appointments:

Charles V. Chandler of McDonough to be trustee of the Western Illinois State Normal School; Edward W. Stubblefield of McLean, to be trustee of the Illinois Asylum for Feeble Minded Children; Cyrus D. Kendall of Jasper, to be trustee of the Illinois Soldiers' and Sailor's Home; William H. Hanline of McDonough, L. Philip Wolff of Peoria, Peter R. Walker of Winnebago, Ella F. Young of Cook to be members of the state board of education.

AN INQUIRY AT WEST POINT

Cadets Charged With a Breach of Discipline.

West Point, April 23.—A court of inquiry, consisting of Captain Thompson Captain Anderson and Captain Lassiuter, today began an investigation of the charge of a breach of discipline on the part of several cadets of the military academy. The cadets became disgruntled over the action of Colonel Mills, superintendent, in punishing Cadet Ralston for failure to report a breach of discipline in the mess hall while the cadets were at supper a few nights ago. The cadets are said to be almost in a state of insubordination.

AN ELECTION IN ALABAMA.

Voters Decided on a Constitutional Convention—Light Vote.

Montgomery, Ala., April 23—The people of Alabama voted today on a proposition to call a convention to assemble in this city May 21 and draft a new state constitution. An exceedingly light vote was polled throughout the state, but the returns indicate that perhaps five-sixths of the counties voted in favor of the convention.

The principal changes which the convention has in view is in suffrage, courts, terms of public officers and abolishment of much local legislation.

There was no organization on the issue, but there was a disinclination to go to the polls. At today's election fifty-five delegates from the state at large were elected and one hundred from the counties. There is no event to be exceeding four or five republicans or populists in the convention.

PLOW MAKERS IN A COMBINE

Capital of Fifty Million With C. H. Deere at the Head.

Chicago, April 23—After a conference lasting several days, the plow manufacturers of the United States practically have completed the formation of a fifty million dollar combination.

The combination has for one of its purposes the elimination of long credits which have been given country merchants.

Twenty manufacturers were represented at the conference. Chas. H. Deere, of Moline, one of the moving spirits in the project, has presided.

Machinists Want More Money.

Cincinnati, O., April 23—Two thousand machinists today made a demand for an increase of 12½ per cent in wages in addition to a nine hour day, the latter having just been granted to take effect May 20.

WILL NOT RECOGNIZE UNION

The Lake Carriers' Association Will Treat With Engineers as Individuals.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 23.—Negotiations which have been in progress the past two days between the officials of the United States Steel corporation vessel interests and representatives of the marine engineers, looking to the settlement of the pending strike of the latter was abruptly terminated this afternoon when General Manager Wolvin of the company announced he would not treat with the engineers as a body, but would deal directly with the men.

Immediately upon receipt of this information the engineers prepared a new wage scale, increasing their demands by about 15 per cent over the figures submitted in January last. President Ulher of the engineers, said from now on the engineers would be permitted to make arrangements with the managers and owners of vessels irrespective of their organization. The vessel owners declare this would soon result in all the men returning to work as the fight of the lake carriers' association was directed against recognition of the association rather than the question of wages.

HAVE FAITH IN AMERICANS.

Chinese Do Not Want Our Troops Withdrawn.

Pekin, April 23.—Many applications have been made to Rockhill and General Chaffee by Chinese of all degrees for the retention in China of American troops until the general withdrawal of the troops of all powers. Many of those who are making this request think the withdrawal of the Americans will make the others remain longer. There are also people who do not desire to see any of the soldiers go, fearing anarchy and an uprising against the foreigners.

Field Marshal von Waldersee has made application that the gate of the forbidden city be guarded by German troops after the departure of the Americans. General Chaffee replied the American soldiers will continue to guard the gate. At this the Germans are indignant, saying this impugns their honesty. If General Chaffee persists in this course diplomatic representations will be made in the matter.

The ministers of the foreign powers are meeting daily. They do not at present show a disposition to reduce the claims which many think extremely reasonable.

FOUND NO CHINESE TROOPS.

Kaigan Province Deserted When German Troops Reached There.

Berlin, April 23.—The German war office has received the following advices from Count von Waldersee at Pekin:

"Patrols sent out for the Kaigan district found no gathering of Chinese troops there. Li Hung Chang informs me that General Liu's troops retired into the Province of Shan Si last Wednesday.

The execution of the murderer of Captain Bartsch (2nd Infantry) will take place at the scene of the crime."

In a second despatch, von Waldersee says:

"The columns under General Bailloud and General Kettler have arrived at the great wall, the boundary of the province Shan Si, without opposition."

MAY STRIKE ON CENTRAL.

Machinists Will Make Demand on Harriman Today.

Chicago, April 23.—At a conference of the Illinois Central machinists here today it was decided to present the officials of that road, tomorrow, a demand for a nine-hour day, an increase of 10 per cent in wages, and extra pay for overtime, settlement of the apprentice question and other alleged grievances. Vice President Harriman says he will receive the committee of machinists as members of the Illinois Central employes. On this point a clash is expected since it is intimated the committee will stand as members of of the International Machinists' association. Thereupon it is believed Harriman will refuse to treat with them.

WOMEN MISSIONARIES MEET

Northwestern Board in Session at Davenport, Iowa.

Davenport, Ia., April 23.—Delegates are assembling here to the thirtieth annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Northwest, which includes active supporters of the Presbyterian foreign missionary work for Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Nebraska, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota and Montana. Miss Caroline B. Sharp of Chicago, led the opening devotional services this evening. The meeting continues three days and will be adressed by many prominent clergymen and returned missionaries.

THE DEAD COME TO LIFE.

Soldiers Reported Killed in Philippines Return Home.

Redding, Cal., April 23.—Harry O. Stone returned to Redding today from the Philippines, where he served with the 4th cavalry. He was reported killed in the battle of Malolos. What was supposed to be his body was received here and an elaborate funeral held. Later the body was claimed by Mrs. Stone of Worcester, Mass., as that of her son, Herman H. Stone of the 22nd infantry, and shipped there.

NEW APOSTOLIC DELEGATE.

Monsignor Francois Tarnassi Said to Have Been Selected.

Rome, April 23.—It is understood here that Monsignor Francois Tarnassi, present internuncio at The Hague, has been selected as apostolic delegate to the United States.

Rev. O'Connor Promoted.

New York, April 23—It is generally believed the Very Rev. John O'Connor, vicar general, has been appointed to the bishopric of Newark made vacant by the death of Bishop W. M. Wigger. Private telegrams to that effect have been received from Rome, and they are generally credited.

GOV. WOOD HERE

Only Two Important Questions Remain Unsettled in Cuba.

ONE IS THE DUTY ON SUGAR

And the Other the Adoption of Constitution--Cubans Practically in Control.

New York, April 23.—General Leonard A. Wood, governor general of Cuba, with Mrs. Wood and his private secretary, arrived tonight on the Ward line, Morro Castle. General Wood, who expects to return to Havana Thursday, made a hurried trip to this country for the purpose of introducing to President McKinley the five members of the special commission on foreign relations appointed by the Cuban constitutional convention.

ONLY TWO QUESTIONS.

"There is really but two great questions yet to be settled in Cuba," said General Wood. "One is the reduction of the duty on sugar and the other is the passage of the constitution. After the constitution has been properly framed and adopted the tariff question will disappear as there must be a great reduction in the duty on sugar. Then Cuba will be prosperous and its relations with the United States settled on a solid basis. That will end the whole difficulty and in 24 hours the country can be turned over to the representatives chosen by the Cuban people. Today all departments on the island are practically in the hands of Cubans who have been instructed as to how things can be managed, and when the time arrives all we have to do will be to take a receipt for money on hand."

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REORGANIZING THE COMMITTEE.

There has been something said in the Review about the action of the city central committee reorganizing the committee and that paper actually expressed the opinion that the action was all wrong. This might indicate that the friends of that paper are being disturbed. It could have no other interest in interfering except to defend its friends or foment as much discord as possible in the ranks of the party. It is quite certain that the person who submitted the lengthy interview to the Review felt he was in rapport with the democratic organ and it will be taken for granted that when a fellow pretending to be a republican gets confidential with an opposition paper on a party matter his usefulness as a republican has about ended or he is in the business of creating discord and discontent in the party by practicing "yellow dog" politics instead of serving the interests of the party by deferring to the wishes of the masses.

The Herald is not greatly concerned about the reorganization of the city central committee. It only knows that a majority of the committee met and declared void certain action alleged to have been formerly taken by way of organization. Under the rules of organized bodies where they are not governed by law or constitution and by laws under which certain rights accrue by an election the body has power to reorganize whenever a majority desire to do so. While it may not be courteous at all times to do so yet the right to do so cannot be questioned. This seems to be all there is of the case in point. The reasons for desiring a change in the present instance is said to be to put the organization of the committee in harmony with the new conditions and nobody ought to object to that if that is true. C. S. Hankins who it is reported was deposed as chairman was opposed to the election of Shilling for mayor and it is said that he carried his opposition to the extent of advising republicans who refused to vote for Foster to vote for Berlog. If this be true then Mr. Hankins is not as much in sympathy with Shilling as he would be with the democratic nominee had he been elected and Shilling could not reasonably expect loyal support from him. If such conditions exist Hankins would be entirely indifferent as to whether the committee was reorganized or not. Shilling is a republican and will be a republican mayor. He was elected by republicans receiving nearly three-fourths of the entire republican vote cast at the city election. Under these conditions he is entitled to a committee organization in harmony with himself. This it seems to the Herald all fair minded men will concede, regardless of any factional bias.

The great mass of the republican party is disgusted with the factional fights that have disturbed the party for some years and they have made up their minds to end it even though it becomes necessary to crush those who persist in their factionalism. This is a fact that might as well be recognized by party leaders before it is too late. The recent election was the beginning of this crusade against crooked and factional politics in the republican party. The selection of C. M. Lytle to be chairman of the committee is evidently the second step in the same direction. He is a thorough republican who will treat all republicans fairly and will favor fair primaries. He will do what the people want done toward harmonizing the internal affairs of the party and the masses of the party voters will stand by him. Taking everything into consideration no one has been harmed by the reorganization of the committee while the benefits that will follow by way of satisfying the voters is sufficient endorsement of the course of the committee.

Notwithstanding the attacks that have been made in some quarters against Commissioner of Pensions Evans there are more pensions on the pension list now than ever before, the number on March 31 being 993,529. It is said the civil war pensions are about at a standstill, because the number of pensioners who die is about equal to the number of additions to the list, but during the last nine months 1664 pensions have been granted on account of the Spanish-American service.

The friends of Hon. John A. Brown were pleased yesterday to see the announcement that Governor Yates had recognized him with an appointment as trustee to the asylum for the blind at Jacksonville. The appointment is satisfactory to our people who recognize Mr. Brown's ability for the position which requires sound business judgment; and also, because Mr. Brown was in favor of the nomination of Yates early in the campaign and never wavered in his fidelity to his cause and subsequently was appointed one of the Yates delegates from this county to the state convention where he saw his desires accomplished. Mr. Brown will bring to the board many years of experience in a successful business career and neither the inmates of the institution nor the tax payers of the state will have cause to complain of his official conduct.

Ex-Senator Carter in a speech at a banquet in St. Louis gives in honor of the commissioners of the Exposition of which he is a member confessed that when a boy he lived in Paxo, Ill., and proved it by stating that he and another boy came from Paxo to St. Louis to attend a fair and that the time they remained in the city was limited to their ability to get board and lodging for six bits a day.

After learning that the Boer war has cost Great Britain twice as much as the Crimean war, in which Great Britain, France and Turkey went to war with Russia and compelled capitulation, any government will consider the matter a long time before embarking in a modern conflict, even if the nation it would like to fight is not as warlike as the South African Republic.

The anti-imperialist has probably run up against a harder proposition than he ever dreamed there was in store for him in the course of Aguinaldo in taking the oath of allegiance and squarely admitting he has been wrong in his estimate of the intention of the American people.

It is reported that Senator Pettigrew has made $1,000,000 in stock speculation during the past month, and, thus reinforced will again be a candidate for senator. That is, the populist who boasts millionaires and money will endeavor to buy an election.

Those men who were declaring at the top of their voices during the last campaign that the prosperity of the country was simply a campaigning device should ignore prophecy hereafter. But they will not.

Dave Shannahan is disposed to lay the blame for the failure of apportionmention Henry L. Hertz. The country don't care so long as he don't attempt to lay the blame on anybody outside of Chicago.

It looks as if Banker J. P. Morgan did not go to England for recreation alone, nor was it mere curiosity that took him to hear the official statement by the chancellor of the exchequer.

It might serve a good purpose by way of contrasting the real with the spurious if Senators Laurin and Tillman were to engage in a joint debate in South Carolina.

MOTORMAN NOT TO BLAME

Teamsters Likewise Accepted the Flagman's Signal to Cross.

The management of the Traction company holds blameless Motorman Ryan who was in charge of the car struck by an Illinois Central freight train on Tuesday evening. In speaking of that affair on Wednesday, D. S. Shellabarger, said: "We are informed that after the street car came to a stop the train was cut in two and the crossing cleared. The flagman gave the signal for the car to cross. One and perhaps two teams crossed ahead of the street car going through safely and there was every reason for the motorman to believe that he should proceed. The rear and not the front end of the car was crushed. Just behind the car came a wagon whose driver also thought the way was clear. The tongue of that wagon was broken. We would like to have that well understood because it further goes to show that the motorman was not careless."

MRS. CHIPAN THREATENED.

Chances Are That She Will Be Next Small Pox Victim.

Mrs. August Chipan, who has been caring for her husband, who has smallpox at their home on East Condit street, has developed symptoms of a febrile nature and their occurrence at this interval after her exposure to the disease makes it probable that she is sickening with smallpox. She was vaccinated when her husband was taken sick and once before in childhood. The attending physician is watching the case and has reported the probabilities to the board of health. A few days will determine the nature of the attack. Mr. Chipan is well enough to be up and can take any ordinary care of his wife.

Holds Up a Congressman.

"At the end of the last campaign," writes Champ Clark, Missouri's brilliant congressman, "from overwork, nervous tension, loss of sleep and constant speaking I had about utterly collapsed. It seemed that all the organs in my body were out of order, but three bottles of Electric Bitters made me all right. It's the best all-round medicine ever sold over a druggist's counter." Over-worked, run-down men and weak, sickly women gain splendid health and vitality from Electric Bitters. Try them. Only 50c. Guaranteed by N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling and John E. King, druggists.

Y. M. C. A. Social.

The members of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Presbyterian church will give a social at the rooms of the city department of the Y. M. C. A. next Tuesday night. It is to be called a Picnic Social and just what the program is to be is a secret but something pleasant is promised by the committees in charge. That much is assured as the social committee of the Presbyterian Y. P. S. C. E. is famous for pleasant socialbes.

RURAL DELIVERY

Number of Routes is Constantly Growing--What One Agent Has Done.

GOOD ROADS ARE NECESSARY

Government Protects Approved Boxes--Routes Average Twenty-Five Miles in Length—More to Come in County.

Col. H. G. Rising, special agent of the postoffice department, was in Decatur for a short time on Wednesday. He is now engaged in approving routes for rural mail delivery. The increase of the rural free mail delivery has grown to vast proportions in a short time. Since March, 1900, he has approved 140 routes. The intention of the department is to have those rural routes be as near a uniform length of 25 miles as is possible. During the last 13 months he has therefore ridden over 3500 miles of country roads and in addition has traveled vastly more than that much on the railroads. As the minimum number of houses to be served is 100, within at least one-half mile of the route traveled, it will be seen that one agent has, within 13 months, approved routes which will serve 14,000 farm houses. Twenty-five miles is practically the maximum length because in Illinois the carrier cannot get over more territory. In speaking of the roads Col. Rising said: "I would rather recommend a route of 35 miles in Indiana than one of 25 miles in Illinois. In Indiana they have hard gravel roads that are passable at all times." While talking about good country roads Colonel Rising said that Illinois would not be able to retain the rural free mail delivery unless the country roads were improved. The department would no doubt give a reasonable time to make such improvements but unless it was done the rural delivery would be discontinued. The rules require that the roads must be passable at all times and everybody knows that more than 90 per cent of the country roads in Illinois are not passable in the winter time. Colonel Rising says that all the money spent on good roads to aid the rural delivery comes back to the land owner because it adds from five to ten dollars per acre to the value of the farm. Cases are known where the department has ordered the rural delivery discontinued because of impassable roads.

The government demands three conditions at least upon which the establishment of a rural route depends and the quicker the farmers understand them and act accordingly, the sooner they will get more free delivery. The first is that "the roads must be passable at all seasons of the year." Recent printed instructions to the carrier makes it a part of his duty to report to the postmaster whose office he travels, any dangerous places in roads or bridges or any failure of the road authorities to keep them in repair.

The second provides that: "There shall not be less than 100 houses within half mile of the route traveled."

Third: "The boxes must be of a pattern approved by the government," else they will not be given government protection. When the special agent has approved a route the style of mail box is selected. There are a number of styles which the government will approve. The selection is made by the special agent, the postmaster and the patrons of the route. Once that a style of box approved by the department is put up it is given government protection. If a patron on the route disregards the department instructions and puts up a wooden box instead of the metal box approved by the department while his mail is delivered his box is denied protection and any one who should rob it is not prosecuted under the postal laws. But if any man robs one of the boxes approved by the department he is liable the same penalty as though he had robbed one of the boxes in the city or robbed a postoffice.

The hour at which the morning mail arrives at the distributing office is a measure governs the length of the route. If the morning mail does not arrive until 11 a. m. the route is cut to 20 miles because in this country where there are so many impassable roads the carrier could not start out after 11 a. m. and go over his territory.

Colonel Rising will be in Macon county within the next three weeks to establish some more rural routes but beyond that he makes no statement. The department does not permit him to go into details in relation to the routes to be established until after they have been approved.

A Raging, Roaring Flood

Washed down a telegraph line which Chas. C. Hite, of Lisbon, Ia., had to repair. "Standing waist deep in icy water," he writes, "gave me a terrible cold and cough. It grew worse daily. Finally the best doctors in Oakland, Neb., Sioux City and Omaha said I had consumption and could not live. Then I began using Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles." Positively guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and all Throat and Lung troubles by N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling and John E. King. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

Changes in the Gallery.

At the Baptist prayer meeting last night two plans were shown for the alteration of the choir gallery, necessitated by the new organ. One of the plans shows a straight front and the other has a bay at either end.

The alterations will not be made until some time in June and no decision was reached. The plans were made by B. S. Brooks.

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TWO NEGLECTED SMALL BOYS

Mother a Morphine Fiend and They Roam Streets at Night.

About 11 o'clock Tuesday night as a well known young attorney was on his way to his room to retire for the night, he came across a small boy leaning against the corner of the Millikin building and appearing in a very dejected mood. The lad was asked what he was doing out at that time of night, and replied that he had no place to go to and that he intended to walk the streets all night, as he had no place to sleep. He was such a small lad that the attorney was moved to inquire further about him and learned that his age was but seven years. He was bright looking and answered questions put to him in a boyish but honest manner.

The lad admitted that he was hungry and had nothing to eat since along in the afternoon, when a kind hearted woman had given him some bread and milk. Learning that the boy was hungry the attorney asked him to accompany him to a restaurant and get something to eat, but the boy said he did not want to eat in a restaurant and that he would not go unless his brother would go along with him. His brother, who appeared to be about two years older, was standing behind a telephone pole, about a half a block away, and seemed averse to talking to people.

After some persuasion the attorney drew both the lads into conversation and learned that they had roamed the streets of the city the night before and during the afternoon had slept several hours in the bank room of an up town business building. After talking to the boys for a few minutes they finally consented to go to a restaurant and get something to eat and the attorney escorted them to a place where they were well fed and then footed the bill. Then the lads were taken to a lodging house, and a bed for the night was paid for by the attorney and it was but a few minutes until they were peacefully sleeping and not worrying over the troubles that had a few minutes before brought tears to the eyes of the younger of the lads.

The mother of the boys is said to be addicted to the habit of using morphine and at times neglects her children in a shameful manner. It was said by the boys that their mother had been out at work during the afternoon, and had told them to go to the home of an uncle to remain for the night but they found that the uncle had company, and they went away to wander the streets all night.

WILL ESCAPE THE STAMP TAX

Change in the Revenue Law Will Take Place on the First of July.

The amendments to the revenue law of war tax bill will go into effect on the first day of July and after that the following documents, which must now be taxed, will be made free:

Demand bank checks and drafts.
Bills of lading for export.
Certificates of deposit.
Certificates not otherwise specified.
Sight drafts.
Express receipts.
Money orders.
Mortgage or conveyance in trust.
Power of attorney to vote.
Power of attorney to sell.
Promissory notes.
Protest blanks.
Telegraph messages.
Warehouse receipts.

The following reductions on business documents are also made to take effect at the same time:

Foreign bills of exchange, 4 cents for each $100; changed to 2 cents for each $100.

Bonds of indemnity, 50 cents.

Conveyance, exempt below $250; above $2500, 25 cents for each $500.

Bankers' capital and surplus, $50 for $25,000, and $2 for each additional $1000.

Bonds, debentures, certificates of indebtedness, etc., 5 cents for each $100.

Broker's contract, 10 cents.

Certificates of stock, original issue, 5 cents for each $100.

Certificates of stock, transfers, 2 cents for each $100. (Amended to include bucket shops.)

Time drafts or bills of exchange, inland, 2 cents for each $100.

Freight receipts or domestic bills of lading, 1 cent.

Stock brokers, $50.

WALTER HUTCHIN'S FATHER

Died at Clinton on Wednesday Afternoon.

R. W. Hutchin, father of Walter Hutchin of this city, died suddenly at his home in Clinton Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Hutchin was an old citizen of DeWitt county and although 69 years of age he had always enjoyed the best of health. Wednesday forenoon Walter Hutchin received a telegram stating that his father had been taken suddenly ill with a violent attack of heart trouble. He left on the noon train for Clinton and arrived in time to see his father alive but that was all as the patient passed away at 3 p. m.

R. W. Hutchin is survived by several children. They are Walter and Miss Effie Hutchin of this city. Elwin Hutchin of Kansas City and Miss Minnie Hutchin of Clinton.

The time of the funeral will be announced later.

Deeds Recorded.

Edward L. Paterson to Ellery M. Morris, lots 4 and 5 in block 89 in Railroad addition to Macon; $200.

W. H. Weatherford to John H. Baker, lots 5, 6, 7, 8 and 18 in block 10 in Boody; $1500.

John H. Johnson to Henry Waterland lot 1 in block 2 in Power's first addition to Decatur $100.

George A. Waterland et al. to Eliza Waterland lot 1 in block 2 in Powers' first addition to Decatur; $1.

Barbara K. Barth to Robt. Chilcote lot 1 in block 2 in Dickinson's sub-division; $1000.

Mary Hunsley to Wm. Sheadon lot 8 in block 14 in North addition to Decatur; $100.

Rerating Country Towns.

James Baldwin was in Macon yesterday on legal business and incidentally to rerate the business men of the village for the Dunn agency. Mr. Baldwin is giving this matter some attention now, visiting all the smaller towns in the county.

FIGHT FOR PLACE

Ambitious High School Athletes Will Compete at Race Track Friday.

BIG MEET HERE ON JUNE 14

Winners of Friday's Events Will Represent Decatur On That Occasion—School Notes.

The preliminary field meet of the Decatur High school athletes will be held at the race track Friday afternoon and promises to be one of the most hotly contested meets held recently. For several years past there were several students in the school who stood high above the rest in athletic work and easily carried off the honors in the athletic meets but those students have graduated from the High school now and are receiving recognition in college circles. That leaves the field open in the school for ambitious athletes to come to the front and a number of them are realizing that now is the time for them to gain athletic notoriety in their class and they are training hard for the events which are to be pulled off Friday afternoon. The entries closed last night and every event shows a number of eager contests which assures a hard fought battle for the winner of every event.

The winners of the events of Friday are to be named as the representatives of the Decatur school in the central Illinois interscholastic field meet to be held in this city June 14. The central Illinois meet will be the greatest affair of the kind ever given by the Decatur school and handsome gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded the winners of each event. The invitations for the June meet were issued yesterday. They will be sent to 60 schools in the central part of the state within a radius of 100 miles. In the past only about a dozen schools were ever brought into the meet but this year the meeting is to be held before the close of the school for the summer vacation while the teams are still intact and it is the opinion of the managers of the enterprise that at least 25 schools will accept the invitation and be present with teams to compete for honors.

In the preliminary meet of Friday the greatest rivalry seems to center in the mile run and there are some good runners entered in that race, Murray and Lehman having demonstrated in past years that they are coming to the front as long distance runners. The following are the entries for the events:

ENTRIES.

Fifty Yard Dash—Murray, Eckman, Braddock, Yates, Neiman, Nicholson.

Two Hundred and Twenty Yard Hurdle—Eckman, Braddock, Parish, Neiman, Sweeney, Yates.

Hammer Throw—Morgan, Billington, VanGilder, Hathaway.

One Hundred Yard Dash—Eckman, Braddock, Yates, Hathaway, Murray, Nicholson.

Discus Throw—Harry Morgan, Yates, Hathaway, Murray, Billington and Neiman.

Pole Vault—Surface, Yates, Neiman Morgan.

Two Hundred and Twenty Yard Dash—Murray, Eckman, Braddock, Parish, Neiman.

Shot Put—Braddock, Yates, Billington, Hathaway and Neiman.

Quarter Mile Bicycle—Duhigg, Kraft Dickhoff.

Quarter Mile Run—Murray, Braddock, Neiman, Parish, Lehman.

Running Broad Jump—Calhoun, Smith, Yates, Garland, Neiman.

Half Mile Run—Parish, Sweeney, Murray, Johnson, Beadles, Lehman.

Standing Broad Jump—Hathaway, Garland, Neiman, Beadles.

One Mile Bicycle—Duhigg, Powers, Kraft, McCollom, Dickhoff.

One Mile Run—Murray, Lehman, Parish, Johnson, Beadles, Williams, Benton.

Running High Jump—Morgan, Koss, Sweeney, Garland, Smith, Neiman.

Half Mile Walk—Hathaway, Neiman, Evans, Sweeney, Lehman, Murray.

The admission to the public will be 15c or a 25c ticket to the entertainment to be given at the High school on Friday night will admit the bearer to both the field meet in the afternoon and the entertainment at night. The proceeds of the entertainment are to go to the athletic association.

SCHOOL NOTES.

The Junior Athletic association held a meeting at the school yesterday morning and issued a challenge to the Senior and the Sophomore classes to decide the class championship of the school. The contestants of the various classes are to take part in the field meet Friday afternoon and they will score as representatives of the classes to which they belong and the class scoring the highest number of points will be declared the champion of the school. Murray, Sibley and Yates were named as a committee to make the arrangements for the Juniors.

The Senior class held a meeting yesterday and decided on white as the class color. The question of invitation for commencement was discussed and samples of invitations were examined and the matter was finally left with a committee to decide between two invitations for that occasion. The committee is composed of Harry Morgan, Charles Koss and Chester Smith.

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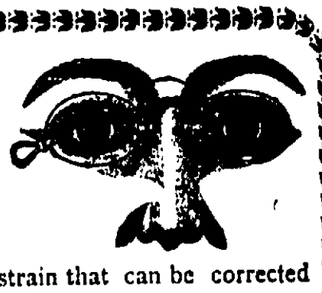

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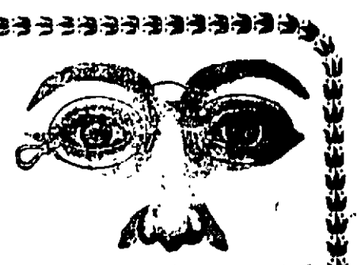

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F. S. DODD NAMED

As the Deputy in Charge of the Revenue Office at Springfield.

HOLMES TRAVELING DEPUTY

C. H. Patterson and Bob Williams Will Take Places in the County Clerk's Office.

It is understood that Revenue Collector T. B. Mills has determined on a number of important appointments but none of them have been officially announced. Decatur men will be members of the force. While there are a number of places to give out the territory covered by the Eighth district is a large one and accordingly there will be an equitable distribution of the plums throughout the district.

F. S. Dodd, who has been deputy county clerk under his father for nearly six years and deputy in charge of the Springfield office, the position is a responsible one, pays a good salary and means a change of residence. The retirement of Mr. Dodd from the county clerk's office, and that of H. C. Dempsey, who resigned some weeks ago, will necessitate changes in the force there and the understanding is that C. H. Patterson and Bob Williams will become members of County Clerk Dodd's office force.

Starr will take an important deputyship in the office at that place, where the larger part of the revenues are collected. His experience in the Citizens' National bank and as traveling auditor for the Central Union Telephone company amply qualify him for the important position he will now fill.

Some of the traveling deputies are referred to have been determined on. One of them will be S. M. Holmes, of this city. He will have charge of the Decatur district.

John T. Higginbotham will be the traveling deputy in the eastern district. He is quite well known in this city. Mr. Higginbotham was formerly of Sullivan. He moved here a few years ago and for a time was connected with the wholesale grocery house of Young Brothers and Maris, and afterward moved to Arcola, where he has been in business.

W. S. Hardy of Taylorville, will be the deputy in the Springfield district.

P. H. McClellan of Macomb, will be the deputy in what is known as the Quincy district.

Adolph Fehrman will be the deputy in the Pekin district. Mr. Fehrman was formerly county clerk of Tazewell county, and is also city clerk of Pekin. He is widely known was that section of the state.

The office of traveling deputy pays a salary of $100 a month with $50 allowance for expenses.

In the selection of Frank Dodd as his chief office deputy at Springfield Mr. Mills has made a wise choice as any one who knows of his service in the county clerk's office will vouch. He is an expert accountant, methodical and rapid, and the duties could not be entrusted to better hands.

HIGH PRICES FOR CATTLE.

Past Year Has Been the Best in Fifteen.

It is said that since 1885, says the Farmer's Voice, there has been but one year in which the prices for cattle on the average went higher than 1900. Top cattle sold in January at $6.60, with $6.85 the top in May and July, $6.20 in August, $6 in October and barring holidays and show cattle, $6.50 in December. A load of 1431-pound Texas bred steers, fed in Illinois, which were on exhibition at the stock show, sold at $9.30, the highest Texas cattle on record. From the producer's standpoint, the year was satisfactory, while feeders fared badly at times owing to prevailing high prices the first part of the year. Best feeding cattle the first four months of the year sold at $4.90 to $5.15, with tops in July at $4.75 and $4.40 the closing days of the year. The international live stock exposition in December was an event of great interest and promise. At sales in connection with that show nearly 1500 head of blooded cattle were sold at prices which proved how great is the interest in raising first class beef for the market. Hog prices were also high, with only one year higher since 1888. Sheep and lambs sold at the highest prices since 1893, and horses averaged the highest in about ten years. Native beef cattle averaged $5.15, hogs, $5.05 sheep, $4.55, and lambs $5.90 per 100 pounds, and horses about $118 per head.

Some of the prices received by local feeders of beef cattle go to show that not only last year but the present time is proper for cattle if they are prime. Wednesday John Imboden was in Chicago in charge of sixty-four choice Herefords fed by Sam Weaver living north of Decatur. These cattle Weaver bought in Texas and fed on his farm. They were fed on corn fodder and wintered in shede. Their average weight was 1133 and they sold for $5.02½. This was the top Wednesday. The same day Weaver had in a car load of hogs that averaged 306 pounds and for which he received $5.05.

In the Justice Courts.

Before Justice Smith yesterday was tried the case of Harvey Sterne and J. F. Goodman vs. S. E. Smith to recover on a claim for $19.40. It was alleged by the plaintiffs that the defendant owned that much of a grocery bill and that some time ago he had given a note to them to hold as collateral for the claim. They had since tried to collect the note and were unable to do so. Smith claimed that he had sold the plaintiff the note. The court heard the evidence and rendered judgment in favor of the plaintiffs for the amount of the demand.

MARRIED.

Andrew Lewis of Bloomington and Ida Pendleton of Des Moines, Iowa, both colored, were married by Judge F. M. Snockwelter in the county court rooms on Thursday.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powder for children. Mother Gray, for years nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cured children successfully with a gem. Is now prepared and placed in the drug stores, called Mother Gray's Sweet Powder for Children. They are harmless as milk, pleasant to take and never fail. A certain cure for feverishness, constipation, headache, teething and stomach disorders, and remove worms. At all druggists, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted Le Roy, N. Y.

THE MARKETS.

GRAIN, FLOUR AND PROVISIONS.

Chicago Apr 25—

Flour—Steady.

Wheat—Large trade, active, opened easy, rallied, closing higher.

April	71⅛c to
May	72⅝c to

Corn—Active, stronger, closing lower.

April	47½c to
May	48c to
Number 2 Yellow	41c to

Oats—Active, excited, higher early, closing unchanged.

April	28⅝c to
May	26⅝c to
No 2 white	28c to 28½c

Rye 50½c to Flax $1.61 Timothy Sept $3.20; Clover $11.00; Barley 33c to 66c.

PROVISIONS.

Pork, Apr $16 45	May $14.41 to
Lard, Apr $8 30	May $8 20 to
Ribs, Apr $8.15 to	May $8.25 to

Short clear sides, $8.37½ to $8.50.

PRODUCE.

Butter, steady creameries 15c to 19c; dairies, 11c to 17c.

Eggs, firm; 13c to 14c

POULTRY.

Market steady.

Turkeys 8c to 11c Chickens, 9c to 9½c

HOW PRICES FLUCTUATED

The following is the range and close of yesterday's grain and provision markets:

	Open	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y
WHEAT—					
Apr.	....	....	....	72¼	71¼
May	70⅞@71⅛	72⅝@⅞	70⅞	72⅝A	72⅛A
July	72⅛@⅜	73⅛	72⅛	73	72⅝A
CORN—					
Apr.	....	....	....	47½	47⅝
May	47⅛@48⅛	48	47⅝	48⅛	48⅛
July	44⅞@45⅜	45⅜	44⅞@⅝	45⅜A	44⅞@⅝A
OATS—					
Apr.	....	....	....	26⅝	26⅝
May	26⅛@⅜	26⅞@⅞	26⅝@⅞	26⅞	26⅝
July	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝A	25⅝
PORK—					
May	$16.37½	$16.62½	$16.37½	$16.40A	$16.37½
LARD—					
May	8.22½	8.22½	8.20	8.20	8.15
RIBS—					
May	8.12½	8.25	8.22½	8.25A	8.17½

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS

	Receipts	Shipments
Flour, bbls	36,000	31,000
Wheat, bushels	191,000	203,000
Corn, bushels	113,000	318,000
Oats, bushels	270,000	184,000

GRAIN AT PEORIA.

Peoria, Apr 25—Corn steady.

Number 2 ..... 43½c to

Oats—higher.

No. 2 white ..... 28½c to 29c

GRAIN AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Apr 25—

Wheat—Cash, 73½c to	May 73½c to
Corn—Cash, 46c to	May 41⅝c to
Oats—Cash, 28c to	May 27½c to

WHEAT AT MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis, Apr 25—

Wheat—firm.

Cash	73⅝c to
May	72⅝c to
July	73⅝c to 73½c
No 1 hard	76⅝c to
No 1 Northern	72⅝c to
No 2 Northern	70⅝c to 71⅝c

GRAIN AT LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Apr 25—Wheat spot steady.

No 2 Red Western Winter	5s 10½d
No 1 Northern Spring	6s 1d

Corn—Spot firm

American mixed, new	4s 4½d
American mixed, old	4s 5d

THE NEW YORK MARKETS.

New York, April 25—Wheat spot firm.

Wheat—Receipts, 153,000. Exports, 193,000

No 2 Red Elevator	80⅝c to
No 2 Red FOB afloat	83½c to
May	80c to

Options closed steady to firm at ¼ to ⅝ net advance.

Corn—Receipts, 10,000 Exports, 1,000

Spot strong.

No 2 Elevator	55c to
No 2 FOB afloat	52½c to
May	53⅝c to

Options closed steady at 1⅛ net advance.

Oats—Receipts, 101,000. Exports

Spot firmer.

No 2	31½c to
No 2 white	33½c to 33½c
Track Mixed Western	31c to 32½c
Track White Western	33c to 36½c

Options quiet but firm.

PRODUCE.

Butter—steady; fresh creamery, 15c to 20c

Cheese—steady; large and small, 10½c to 11½c

Eggs—steady; western, pack, 14c

LIVE STOCK PRICES

Chicago, Apr 25—

Cattle—Receipts, 9,500.

Market steady to strong.

Beef, good to prime	$4.95 to $6.00
Beef, poor to medium	2.80 to 4.90
Cows	2.80 to 4.65
Texans	3.80 to 4.90
Stockers	2.75 to 4.85

Hogs—Receipts 22,000

Market nickel higher, closing weak.

Heavy	$5.85 to $6.12
Light	5.70 to 6.00
Mixed	5.75 to 6.12

Sheep—Receipts 12,000.

Market slow.

Sheep	$4.35 to $4.90

Lambs steady.

Lambs	4.60 to 5.80

AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, April 25—

Cattle—Receipts 900

Market steady.

Native Steers	$3.60 to $5.85
Cows and heifers	2.25 to 4.40
Stockers and Feeders	2.60 to 4.10
Texas steers	3.45 to 4.90

Hogs—Receipts 5,000 Market strong to be higher.

Range, $5.80 to $6.10.

Decatur Markets.

Wholesale Prices.

Butter, ready sale—			
Country, per lb	.15	to	.18
Packing stock	.09	to	.10
Creamery	.23	to	
Eggs, per dozen	.11½	to	.14
Lemons, 300 size	3.00	to	3.50
Bananas, straights, per bunch	1.25	to	1.75
Peanuts, roasted, per lb	.07	to	.08
Peanuts, raw, lb	.05	to	.06
Oranges, California navels	2.75	to	3.25
Cranberries, per bushel	2.85	to	3.00
Figs, in lbs	.75	to	
Celery	.75	to	
Apples, New York	3.50	to	4.00
Oysters, per gallon	1.10	to	
Onions	1.75	to	2.00
Northern potatoes, per bush	.42	to	.55

(These prices are paid by grocers.)

Butter, per lb	.17	to	.18
Eggs, per dozen	.10	to	.11
Lard, per lb	.06	to	.06½

GRAIN.

White corn, old in lots of 500 or more bushels 45c, single loads 40c.

Wheat, No 2	.72	to	
Turkey red	.68	to	
Corn, new	.40	to	
Corn, yellow new	.38	to	
Oats, white	.24	to	
Oats, mixed	.23	to	
Rye	.40	to	

POULTRY—LIVEWEIGHT.

Hens per lb	.06½	to	
Springs	.06½	to	
Cocks	.05	to	
Ducks	.06½	to	
Turkeys	.00	to	.08
Geese	.06	to	
Eggs	.10	to	

FEED.

Timothy Hay, per ton	$11.50	to	$12.00
Prairie Hay, per ton	11.00	to	11.50
Clover Hay, per ton	8.50	to	9.00
Oat Straw, per ton	4.50	to	5.00
Wheat Straw, per ton	4.00	to	

FEED.

Timothy hay, per cwt	.70	to	.80
Prairie hay, per cwt	.62	to	.65
Clover hay, per cwt	.60	to	.65
Oats straw, per cwt	.30	to	.35
Oats straw, per bale	.40	to	.45
Linseed Oil Meal, per cwt	1.60	to	1.75

BUTCHER STOCK.

Hogs, per 100	$5.40	to	$5.65
Shipping cattle	4.00	to	5.00
Cows	2.50	to	3.00
Heifers	3.00	to	3.50
Butcher steers	3.00	to	4.00
Calves	4.00	to	5.00
Sheep	3.80	to	
Lambs	4.00	to	
Oats	.28	to	.32
Corn	.43	to	.50

AT MOTHER'S FUNERAL

James Harkrader Was Arrested Charged With Wife Desertion.

James Harkrader, who is under indictment on a charge of wife desertion, was arrested yesterday afternoon while attending the funeral of his mother, the late Mrs. Isaac Harkrader, at Maroa. The inability to get service on him made it necessary for the officers to adopt this plan. Some months ago when Mrs. James Harkrader began a suit for separate maintenance the fact leaked out that an indictment would also be found against her husband on the charge of wife desertion. Jimmy took the hint and left this section of the country in order to evade arrest. It is said that he went to Denver and that he has since been traveling in the west.

The sheriff's deputies have never been able to get within hailing distance of him. The death of his mother led to the belief that he would return home to attend the funeral. Acting upon this belief Deputy Sheriff Wilson went to Maroa yesterday and attended the services. The surmise as to the action of the young man was correct. He attended the services but nothing was said to him prior to that sad occasion. Deputy Wilson, however, kept in reasonably close proximity to him and went to the cemetery where the final interment took place. When the last sad duty had been performed and Jimmy turned to leave the grave with the other relatives the officer approached and placed him under arrest.

He was brought to this city and his bond was placed at $300 for his appearance at the May term of court. He had no difficulty in furnishing the bond and was immediately released. The plan to which the officers were compelled to resort was an extreme one but seemingly the only one by which they could get to serve the warrant. The officers were satisfied that he would not come to Decatur or remain in the county after the funeral and were therefore compelled to perform a disagreeable duty at a service where persons are generally left to their grief.

Jimmy has retained Nelson & Whitley to look after his interests in the case against him.

BETHANY.

J. W. Heckel visited his brother, John, in Long Creek township this week.

Edward Davis is visiting his uncle, Harve Moore and will lecture at the opera house Thursday evening.

Elder Herman went to Lake City Sunday, where he preached the funeral sermon of James Foley. The body was then interred in the Hewitt cemetery north of Lovington.

J. M. Cline planned a surprise on his wife last Friday evening, it being her 33rd anniversary. It was well planned and well carried out. Fifty of her friends and neighbors came in with well filled baskets.

Rev. T. B. McAmis was very pleasantly surprised Tuesday evening. From 75 to 100 of his friends called and spent the evening in a very enjoyable manner. Rev. McAmis was presented with $21 and a number of nice presents also.

L. O. St. John is building a residence in the west part of town.

The I. O. O. F. and Rebekah lodges will have appropriate exercises at the M. E. church Friday evening in celebration of the anniversary of the organization of the order. Rev. R. J. Robertson will make the address.

W. P. McGuire was a Decatur visitor Wednesday.

April 24.

STONINGTON.

Mrs. J. T. Kerwin went to Decatur Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Lower and daughter of Shelbyville are the guests of H. A. Danford and family.

Miss Addie Schowl of Blue Mound was here Wednesday.

Miss Lulu Boyer of Morrisonville, was the guest of Miss Maude Shore Wednesday.

Miss Maud Temple of Taylorville spent Wednesday the guest of Miss Lizzie Williams.

Mrs. J. A. Dwyer is the guest of her parents in Taylorville.

April 25.

A new play has been written with the title "General Funston and the Filipinos," and it will shortly be produced in New York.

"I had piles so bad I could get no rest nor find a cure until I tried DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. After using it once, I forgot I ever had anything like piles." E. O. Rolue, Summer's Point, N. Y. Look out for imitations. Be sure you ask for DeWitt's. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Schilling, Decatur Drug Co.

Fay Templeton, now with Weber & Fields, will spend her summer vacation in Paris and on the continent.

Contracts have been signed by the Dutch government for the construction of two new torpedo boats for the Dutch navy.

Spring coughs are specially dangerous and unless cured at once, serious results often follow. One Minute Cough Cure acts like magic. It is not a common mixture but is a high grade remedy. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Schilling, Decatur Drug Co.

Mark Klaw, head of the firm of Klaw & Erlanger, the theatrical managers, is in the south in very poor health.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

"The Belle of Bohemia," which received a cold reception in London recently, will be taken to Berlin early next month.

You will waste time if you try to cure indigestion or dyspepsia by starving yourself. That only makes it worse when you do eat heartily. You always need plenty of good food properly digested. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is the result of years of scientific research for something that would digest not only some class of food but every kind. And it is the one remedy that will do it. John E. King N. L. Kron C. F. Schilling, Decatur Drug Co.

You cannot enjoy perfect health, rosy cheeks and sparkling eyes if your liver is sluggish and your bowels clogged. DeWitt's Little Early Risers cleanse the whole system. They never gripe. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Schilling, Decatur Drug Co.

The population of Honduras, not including savage Indians, is now estimated at 587,000.

Neuralgic pains, rheumatism, lumbago and sciatic pains yield to the penetrating influence of BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. Price, 25 and 50 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

The first rose of summer is here and properly cooked shadines are pretty good.

Most women with female weakness suffer dreadfully from piles in addition to their other pains. They may be cured by using TABLER'S BUCKEYE PILE OINTMENT. Price 50 cents in bottles, tubes 75 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen

Another of the recurrent signs is "Fresh Paint!"

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, and a bottle of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP used in time is worth a staff of physicians with a drug store or two included. Price, 25 and 50 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

Any book that has no middle seam is called an automobile.

CASTORIA.
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Tucking circular flounces is easier on paper than retail.

"I have been troubled with indigestion for ten years, have tried many things and spent much money to no purpose until I tried Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I have taken two bottles and gotten more relief from them than all other medicines taken. I feel more like a boy than I have felt in twenty years." Anderson Riggs of Sunny Lane, Tex. Thousands have testified as did Mr. Riggs. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Schilling, Decatur Drug Co.

A politician, Percy, is not necessarily an office holder, but an office holder, Percy, is generally a politician.

Last winter I was confined to my bed with a very bad cold on the lungs. Nothing gave me relief. Finally my wife bought a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure that effected a speedy cure. I cannot speak too highly of that excellent remedy." Mr. T. E. Houseman, Manatawney, Pa. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Schilling, Decatur Drug Co.

Despite the fact that he has ceased running and is a prisoner, Aguinaldo seems to be leading a pretty fast life still.

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"How is that St. Louis man who had three stitches taken in his heart?" "Oh, I suppose, just sew sew."

Skin troubles, cuts, burns, scalds and chafing quickly heal by the use of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is imitated. Be sure you get DeWitt's. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Schilling, Decatur Drug Co.

The British are complaining because they can't find DeWet. Still some day on his discovery may be announced in one of those "we regret to announce, however" dispatches.

LIVERITA the up-to-date Little Liver Pill 5c boxes contain 15 pills, 10c boxes contain 40 pills, 25c boxes contain 100 pills. Sold by John E. King and A. J. Blaine, Decatur, Illinois.

Bettina Girard has just taken her fifth husband, leaving Lillian Russell fair and fat and floundering adown the shady side of 40, making goo goo eyes but still a badly beaten second. Bettina holds the record.

Nearly every person needs a tonic medicine at this time of the year to brace up and invigorate the nervous system, to cleanse the bowels, liver and kidneys. HERBINE is the best and safest remedy to do this, and it will cure constipation, regulate the liver and enrich the blood. Price, 50 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

An artesian well in Germany is said to have reached a depth of 2400 feet. Still the busy man who doesn't keep his office door barred has seen some bigger bores than that.

Perfect digestion is the only foundation for perfect health. The food we eat makes all the blood we have, which in turn feeds every nerve, muscle and tissue in the body. HERBINE quickens the appetite, aids digestion, gives tone and vigor to all the functions and ensures good health. Price 50 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

It has been said that brilliant and impulsive people usually have black eyes—or if they don't have them they are apt to get them if they are too impulsive.

WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE not only effectually destroys worms, it also increases the appetite, aids assimilation and transforms a frail infant into one of robust health. Price, 25 cents. John E. King and Frank W. Swearingen.

It may be, after all, that the United States will be forced to take Venezuela by the scruff of the neck and, as Jeffries says, "break the kid in two as gently as possible."

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
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New Velvet Carpets, from upwards, per yard 80c
Rich Wilton Velvet Carpets, per yard $1.10
New Axminster Carpets, extra good grades, per yard $1.40 and $1.15
Pretty Ingrain Carpets, per yard 55c, 40c and 30c
All-wool Ingrains, very heavy fine quality, per yard 65c
New Body Brussels Carpets, per yard $1.15
Good wearing Tapestry Brussels Carpets, per yard 75c, 65c and 59c

A number of remnants of Ingrain Carpets in lengths of from 3 yards to 20 yards, at very great reductions from regular prices.

Floor Rugs.

Our line of Floor Rugs is very large, very handsome, and complete in assortment. Here are a few of the most desirable:

New 9x12 feet Smyrna Rugs $22.50
New 9x12 feet Axminster Rugs $22.50
New 9x12 feet seamless Axminster Rugs $30.00
New 30x60 inch Smyrna Rugs $2.25
New 30x60 inch Axminster Rugs $2.00
New arrivals of Japanese and Chinese Mattings in greatest variety at per yard, 35c, 25c, 20c, 15c, and 12½c
Elegant all wool art squares from $5 to $8.50

Lace Curtains.

We have a magnificent line of lace and other light window draperies, prices of which range from the cheapest to the best. We note a few popular varieties:

Swiss Tambour and Brussels Parlor Curtains at $5.00 per pair. These curtains purchased at regular prices would cost not less than $7.50. Think of the economy of purchasing at only $5.00

$7.50 for real Brussels and hand made Renaissance Curtains—these goods are magnificent in design and value, and would be offered as cheap in most stores at $10.00. Our price only $7.50

$4.00 for Brussels, Irish Point and Battenberg Lace Curtains, not a pair of which is worth less than $6.00.

Lace Panels worth $1.50 to $3.00 for $2.50 down to 98c
Beautiful Nottingham Lace Curtains worth $3.00 to $1.50; the largest variety and most complete line we have ever shown at $3.50 to 75c
Scrims, Dotted Nets and Swisses for sash and bed room curtains in plain white, or with colored figures and stripes, the very latest and daintiest patterns, from 25c per yard to 5c
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A fine line of wall papers suitable for stores, halls and offices, fully as good as you generally pay 8c to 10c for, at 6c
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Elegant Wall Moulding in natural wood or in colors to match your paper, at per foot 12½c down to 2c

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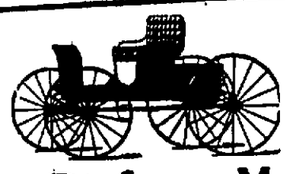

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1137-1139 N. Water st., 147-149 E. Prairie st. - Decatur, Illinois

To Pontiac.

Sheriff Lehman was in Pontiac Thursday where he delivered Rees and Durbin two boys who were sentenced by Judge Hammer on Tuesday to serve a term in the reformatory.

Wanted at Spencer & Lehman's, corner of Wood and Main streets, Decatur, Ill. a visit from all who are thinking of purchasing a fine or medium grade buggy, surrey, phaeton or road wagon. New stock of excellent goods just received at low prices. Old goods at cost.

Dr. A. B. Prince will visit Decatur on the first Wednesday of each month.

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$200.00 CASH, FREE

We will give the above award to any person who will correctly arrange the above letters to spell the names of Three Important American Cities. What are they? Each letter represents one city. You may be the fortunate person to secure at least a portion, if not the full amount. For should there be more than one set of correct answers, the money will be equally divided. For instance, should five persons send in correct answers, each will receive $40.00; should ten persons send in correct answers, each will receive $20.00; twenty receive $10.00 each. This offer is made to advertise and introduce our firm quickly. WE DO NOT WANT ONE CENT OF YOUR MONEY. THE CONTEST IS FREE. As soon as you have arranged what you suppose are the correct names, send them. A postal card will do, and you will hear from us promptly by return mail. Those who have tried other contests and failed to secure anything, try this one. All can secure an award if they wish to try, without any expense whatever.

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SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.

Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors, First Day, April Term, April 18, 1901.

State of Illinois, Macon county, ss. The board of supervisors of Macon county met at the courthouse in the city of Decatur on Thursday, the 18th day of April A. D., 1901, at 11:30 o'clock p. m. pursuant to the following call.

Decatur, Ill., April 5, 1901.

To J. M. Dodd, county clerk: Sir; You will please call a special meeting of the board of supervisors of Macon county to convene at the courthouse in Decatur on April 18, 1901, at 1:30 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of organizing the board and to consider such other business as may properly come before the board. J. H. Record, H. R. Woodcock, O. W. Reynolds, H. Hays, J. W. Weigand, Wm. Niedermeyer, James Henson, C. J. Tucker, F. R. Querrey, James Hollinger, Geo. W. Martin, John Barron.

The board was called to order by the county clerk.

Mr. Hanson nominated Mr. Magee as temporary chairman.

Mr. Magee nominated Mr. Querrey.

Mr. Cusson moved the selection be by ballot. Motion prevailed.

The clerk appointed Supervisors Weigand, Chapman and Kipp as tellers.

Mr. Magee received 7 votes and Mr. Querrey received 19 votes. Mr. Querrey was declared temporary chairman.

The chair appointed Supervisors Woodcock, Record and Nickey as committee on credentials, the board standing at ease awaiting the report of the committee.

The committee made the following report which was approved on motion of Mr. Woodcock.

State of Illinois, Macon county, ss. Decatur, Ill., April 18, 1901.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:

Your committee on credentials beg leave to report that we have examined the credentials of the following named supervisors and recommend that they be admitted as members of the board.

Town of Decatur—James H. Record, John Barron, James Henson, Fred W. Kipp, Geo. W. Martin, Wm. Niedermeyer, J. W. Weigand.
Harristown—R. O. Vangilder.
Hickory Point—H. Hays.
Illini—C. J. Tucker.
Maroa—Chas. E. Persinger.
Milam—Wm. Best.
Mt. Zion—E. R. Hurlburt.
South Macon—H. R. Woodcock.
South Wheatland—John Ward.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. R. Woodcock,
M. A. Nickey,
J. H. Record,
Committee.

The board next proceeded to election of permanent chairman.

Mr. Weigand nominated Mr. Record.

Mr. Henson nominated Mr. Woodcock.

Mr. Tucker nominated Mr. Best.

Mr. Nickey moved the vote be by ballot and that the first ballot be informal. Carried.

The chair appointed Supervisors Weigand, Chapman and Kipp as tellers. The vote follows:

Informal—Record 11, Woodcock 7, Best 6, scattering 0. Total 24.

First—Record 11, Woodcock 14, scattering 1. Total 26.

Mr. Woodcock having received a majority of all votes cast was declared chairman for the ensuing year.

All members being present the board proceeded to business.

Hon. H. R. Woodcock, chairman.
J. M. Dodd, clerk
C. W. Lohman, sheriff.

Supervisor Record presented his resignation as overseer of Decatur township which was accepted on motion of Mr. Nickey.

On motion of Mr. Tucker the fee and salary committee was instructed to recommend to the board the salary of the overseer for the ensuing year.

The fee and salary committee made the following report which was approved on motion of Mr. Weigand.

To the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board of Supervisors, Gentlemen:—Your committee to whom was referred the matter of recommending the salary of the overseer of the poor of Decatur township would respectfully recommend that the salary be fixed at seven hudred and twenty dollars ($720) for the ensuing year

Respectfully submitted.

Wm. H. Benn,
E. B. Chapman,
William Best,
F. R. Querrey.

A petition was received from the Macon County Telephone Co., asking permission to erect on the public highways a telephone line from Decatur to Warrensburg and Harristown. On motion of Mr. Record the petition was granted, on condition that the work be done under the supervision of the commissioner of highways of the towns though which the line passes.

A petition was received from the commissioner of highways of Milam township asking county aid in building bridges in said town which on motion of Mr. Johnston was referred to road and bridge committee.

Mr. Johnston moved that the matter allowing Mr. Boddington, collector of Decatur township, compensation for his close collection of personal tax be referred to a special committee of three.

Mr. Martin moved to amend by having the selection made from Decatur township.

Amendment lost and original motion prevailed.

The chair appointed Supervisors Johnston, Benn and Hollinger as the committee.

On motion of Mr. Record the board took a recess of ten minutes to select a grand jury.

The following names were presented and Mr. Kipp moved the names as presented be declared the grand jurors of the May term of the circuit court and that in case any of the persons named would be unable to serve as such grand jurors, the person making the original appointment should name substitute. Motion prevailed.

Austin—L. O. Davis.
Blue Mound—Wm. Pietorius.
Decatur—Al Diehl, C. E. Hall, William Henson, George W. Tuttle, Jas. H. Bishop, S. W. Moore, Edward Haines.
Friend's Creek—J. H. Towers.
Harristown—T. F. Talbot.
Hickory Point—John Sawyer.
Illini—Reuben Herrod.
Long Creek—G. M. Barnett.
Maroa—J. M. Oakes.
Milam—James Van Gundy.
Mt. Zion—Charles M. Durning.
Mizzie—James Delaney.
Oreley—D. B. Hedding.
Pleasant View—J. O. Sprague.
South Macon—J. P. Paisz, Jr.
South Wheatland—George Chenoweth.
Wildmore—Daniel Shutter.

Mr. Tucker moved that the rules of the board for the past year, govern the board for the ensuing year after adding the following rule. "A motion to reconsider can only be passed by a two-thirds vote of the entire board."

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Benn moved the matter of fixing the terms of the new members of the board from Decatur township be decided by lot, two to serve for the term of one year and two to serve for the term of two years.

Mr. Henson moved to amend by having all members elected assistant supervisors for Decatur township at last election complete for the long and short terms.

Amendment lost and original motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Magee the clerk was instructed to prepare four tickets, two for the long term and two for the short term.

Supervisors Martin and Barron each drew the long term, and Supervisors Henson and Niedermyer each drew the short term.

An application was received from J. S McClelland for re-election as overseer of Decatur township and on motion of Mr. Weigand, Mr. McClelland was elected by acclamation.

On motion of Mr. Tucker the clerk was instructed to draw orders for the ensuing year for the per diem and mileage of the members of the board and for the transportation of paupers upon presentation of orders from the several overseers of the several towns without further orders from the board.

On motion of Mr. Record the clerk was authorized to have rules of the board and left hands printed.

Mr. Tucker moved that the new purchasing committee secure bids for coal, the public building committee secure bids for heating courthouse and jail and the printing committee bids for publishing the proceedings of the board for the ensuing year, each of said committees to report at the June session.

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Nickey the board adjourned until the 21 Monday in June at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

J. M. Dodd, clerk.

BEMENT.

Miss Lottie McKinsey returned to her home in Decatur Sunday.

J. J. Shepherd is seriously ill.

Chas. McIntosh of Monticello was a Bement visitor Friday.

Chas. Baker of Milmine was here Thursday.

Carl Thompson resigned his position at E. A. Body's bakery Tuesday to accept one at the Wabash freight house. Guy Carpenter is working at the bakery.

Chas. Dawson of the U. of I. spent Sunday at home.

Miss Cunnigham of Niantic is visiting her uncle, Joe Cunnigham of this city.

An ice cream and basket festival will be held at the Bement rural school on Saturday evening, April 27. An interesting program will be rendered.

T. Crew and wife of Decatur visited Mrs. O. M. Johnson and daughter last week.

Messrs. E. B. Sprague and M. M. Sprague have returned from California.

C. A. Burks and mother, Mrs. V. S. Ruby of Decatur are visiting J. A. Burks and wife of this city.

Mrs. Harrell of Decatur is visiting her son, L. C. Harrell.

Sam Postlewaite of Jamaica is the guest of Sam Hoffhein and family.

Dave Marker and family have returned home from Eldorado Springs, Mo.

G. W. Pool of Springfield spent a few days with at home this week.

J. W. Rush of Chicago is visiting his sister, Mrs. McCravey.

M. M. Masterson of Alexandria, Ind., is visiting relatives in our city.

J. T. Hershberger spent Monday in Ivesdale.

Miss Blanche Fox of Galesburg visited Rev. Ernest Hawley last week.

T. H. Slick is sick.

Miss Minnie Hershberger visited relatives in Decatur over Sunday.

April 23.

BOODY.

Another survey has been completed for the new road.

Elmer Van Gundy of Macon, visited with friends here Sunday.

J. E. Hill has returned from a short visit with friends in Missouri.

Roy Smith left Thursday for Sturgis, Mich. He will travel with a circus this summer in the capacity of musician.

B. F. Brakhane loaded his household goods Saturday and moved to Harvel where he has accepted a position as operator for the Wabash.

School elections held Saturday in the different districts resulted as follows: Boody, Willie Bailey; Nevada, Wm. Hartwig; Lincoln, Cooper Cross; Madison, Henry Brown and T. M. Taylor; Peru, Charlie Ward. April 24.

MT. ZION.

J. A. W. Ball and wife of Decatur spent Sunday with Mrs. Lucy Bell.

Mrs. Sanders is sick.

The election of school director Saturday resulted in a tie between Dr. S. R. May and W. M. McIlrevoldfold. They draw lots for the place and Mr. Ilrevoldfold won.

Luther Travis who has been quite sick is better.

A. B. Scott is improving his residence property in Mt. Zion.

Miss Bird McLaughey was a Decatur visitor Tuesday.

W. B. Hunter is building a new residence.

April 24.

Car Load of Kola Nuts.

The largest shipment of Kola Nuts ever come to America at one time arrived in this city a few days ago, shipped direct from Africa to the O. O. company, this city. Kola Nut are used as an active ingredient in the well known remedy Dr. Price's Kola and Tar. Kola Nuts are used to supplant the use of opium and to give strength to the respiratory organs to throw off accumulation of waste matter that cling to the lungs and air passages.

Only two years ago Dr. Price's Kola and Tar was made known to the people, with but very little advertising it has become a popular seller and a household word throughout America. Such has been the success of the great lung remedy. Its wonderful sale is credited to its peculiar merits and wonderful cures. Insist on getting the kind that cures.

Still Flocking South.

Dr. J. N. Randall returned Tuesday afternoon from Crowley and St. Charles, Louisiana, where he has been for the past week, looking into the prospects of the country. He says that crowds are flocking to the oil district, and the adjacent rice country. The hotels, while they are able to feed their guests, are obliged to lease rooms for them in surrounding buildings.

YATES SIGNS IT

Bill For the Industrial School Became a Law Last Night.

J. M. GRAY CAPTURED PEN

And Will Present it to the Man Who Becomes President of the School.

The bill authorizing the change in the charter of the University of Lincoln, so essential to the establishment of the industrial school in this city, is now a law. The last obstacle in the way of the organization along the plans that have been determined upon has been removed and the trustees are now at liberty to go ahead with the work. From this on the progress should be more rapid. It had been the intention to have a meeting of the trustees yesterday but the meeting was deferred until next Tuesday in order to give Governor Yates a chance to sign the bill. The measure was passed by the house last week and by the senate on Tuesday, and Wednesday evening about 6 o'clock, Hon. J. M. Gray who has charge of the bill in both the house and the senate got the governor to sign it. When this important work had been completed, Mr. Gray secured the pen with which the governor signed his name, and expects to present it to the president of the new college as a souvenir. Decatur people will certainly appreciate Mr. Gray's efforts in the matter. Without this law the trustees of the college would have faced a most serious obstacle. The most important right reserved to the new organization is exemption from taxation. This right was guaranteed to the Lincoln university years ago, and it was, of course, doubted that it be retained for the reorganized school. To do this it was necessary to secure the amendment from the legislature.

At the meeting of the trustees next Tuesday it is expected that all of the preliminary work will be closed up. At that time also it is the intention to formally call Dr. Taylor of the Kansas state Normal to the presidency of the new school. The trustees will then be in shape to receive the gift of Mr. Millikin and to proceed with the work of securing the plans and the necessary preparation for the erection of the buildings in this city. The naming of the new college will also be determined upon at that time and it is said that the name of the James Millikin University will be determined upon. This will certainly be pleasing to the people of Decatur, and very appropriate, in view of the fact that it was through the generosity of Mr. Millikin that the new college is made possible. The fact is not forgotten, however, that the citizens of Decatur have their share in the good work for they subscribed their part of the money, meeting the requirements necessary to secure the gift from Mr. Millikin. The local branch of the college will be under a local board of control.

THE "DEADWORK" DISPUTE.

At Fairmount and Catlin is in Progress of Adjustment.

The miners at Fairmount and Catlin have been out for some time owing to a dispute with the operators about "dead work" The miners wanted pay for the work and the operators said that the price demanded would eat up all of their profit in handling coal. The dispute reached such proportions that John Mitchell, president of the national association of United Mine Workers was called to assist in bringing about a settlement. mayjne Justi, state commissioner, representing the operators in settling such disputes, was present to meet Mitchell. Wednesday these experts put in their time visiting the mines where the work was in dispute. They were accompanied by a number of miners. They spent several hours in each mine but did not reach a conclusion. Mitchell and Justi will meet again in Chicago. Last night it was reported that the miners in the district would resume work pending a settlement by the two experts.

CHANCE FOR THE MERCHANTS

Invited to Come Out and Play Ball With Kiernan's Men.

Members of the Merchants' team are wanted at the baseball park these days for practice. Manager Kiernan has fourteen men, and if he had about four more he could form two teams and thereby give the players better practice than can be obtained by merely batting the ball about the field. He requests that members of the Merchant's team report to him today and help out in the practice work. The members of the Merchants' nine would be benefitted in their playing by mixing with the professionals.

The last rain has greatly helped the infield. There is one high place in the outfield and Kiernan has men at work on it. The diamond is going to be far nearer than it ever was before.

A plan to boost the game will be worked before the opening of the season. Tickets to the initial game will be sold at 50 cents each and every admirer of the game is expected to buy two and ask no questions. There should be a big sale of these tickets. The extra quarter will help the association out. Lovers of the game should keep in mind that the men who are managing the sport do not expect to make money. They will be more than satisfied to break even although they are compelled to give much of their own time to the undertaking, receiving no remuneration whatever.

The weeding out process will not begin for three weeks. There are fourteen men here now and they all look good enough for the game but fourteen is more than the association is allowed to carry.

The St. Louis Diabls will be here Saturday and Sunday. They will line up in the following order.

Griffin, shortstop.
Woods, right field.
W. Coddamore, left field.
Erman, second base.
Fisher, first base.
Winter, centerfield.
Oneal, third base.
Lobeck, catcher.
Foshan, Thomas and Barry, pitchers.

Some of the oldest men in the National league—their age, of course, only approximated—are O'Connor, 42; Ely, 35, Beckley, 34; Corcoran, 32; Rusie, 31; Kelley, 31; Daly, 36; McGuire, 34; Farrell, 36; Delehanty, 32; Doyle, 32; Burkett, 31; Donovan, 32; Madden, 33; Hamilton; 31; Long, 33; Kittridge, 32; Van Haltren; 35; Davis, 31; Lowe, 33, and Nichols, 32.

Fred Travis has organized a baseball team and it is expected that there will be a special rivalry between the new organization and the Reserves. Travis formerly played with the Reserves and they call the new organization the Bolters.

Last Sunday the Reserves defeated the Blues by a score of 14 to 6.

Roxy Burroughs of the Reserves says that his team will have it easy with the Bolters and declares that after about five innings of good play an entire fire department will be required to put 'em out.

The Reserves want a game of ball and have declared their willingness to play with any team that will give them the opportunity.

WEALTH OF LOVE

Was Lost to Anna Harkrader When Her Husband's Affection Cooled.

SHE WANTS WEALTH OF CASH

She Demands Latter From Her Father-in-Law, Charging Him With Responsibility for the Loss of Former.

In the circuit court Wednesday Anna M. Harkrader began a suit against Isaac Harkrader demanding damages in the sum of $50,000. There was nothing but the praecipe filed, the action being trespass.

Anna Harkrader is the daughter-in-law of the defendant and while there has been no bill of particulars filed it is known that she will charge that he has alienated the affections of her husband, James Harkrader. There is now pending in the court a suit in which Anna Harkrader asks for separate maintenance. In that first suit the father-in-law is made defendant in relation to some property. It is charged that he holds a deed to a piece of property, the title of which belongs to his son, and that instead of having a deed he is entitled to nothing more than a mortgage. This is done to protect the dower interest of Mrs. Harkrader in that property. In that suit the plaintiff charges that she was deserted by her husband for no reasonable cause. The case has progressed so far as to be referred to the master for proof but no evidence has been taken.

This second suit instituted on Wednesday will no doubt be hotly contested. Isaac Harkrader is a wealthy man and a judgment against him for the full amount demanded by his daughter-in-law would be commercially "good."

MARRIED

HEDDEN-FISHER.

Madison Hedden of this city and Miss Mary Fisher of Tower Hill were married by Justice Hane at his office Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a small party of the friends of the couple.

OGLE-TAYLOR.

Jesse T. Ogle of St. Elmo, Ill., and Mrs. Luhana Taylor of this city were united in marriage on Wednesday evening at the residence of the bride, 1163 East Eldorado street, Rev. Wohlfarth of Grace Methodist church officiating.

WHITSETT-GRAYBILL.

Jesse Whitsett and Miss Ella Graybill of this city were married Wednesday evening by Rev. Wohlfarth at Grace Methodist parsonage.

Handy With a Knife.

Several clever pieces of carving, the work of Wabash Conductor George Johnson, were on exhibition at the dance given by the railway trainmen at the Armory Tuesday night. One of the pieces was that of a complete miniature locomotive, and another was a caboose. Both were complete in every particular, each of the working parts of both being perfect. Johnson has made a number of fine carvings, but the locomotive is considered by the railroad men to be the finest piece of work he has executed. Both pieces of work attracted the attention of many of the guests at the dance.

Marriage Licenses.

Jesse T. Ogle, St. Elmo.....50
Mrs. Luhana H. Fogler, Decatur.....41
Fred W. Kosseick, Decatur.....Legal
Frances O. Austin, Decatur.....Legal
Jesse Whitsett, Decatur.....28
Effie Graybill, Decatur.....28

Births.

Born, Wednesday, April 24, to Mr. and Mrs. Byrd Davis at their home, 806 West Eldorado street, a daughter.

Born, Tuesday, April 23, to Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Hodgins at their home in Birmingham, Mich., a daughter. Mrs. Hodgins was formerly Miss Mollie Bay of this city.

As a Pauper.

Ida Kennedy, who was in the county jail in default of a fine assessed for adultery, was discharged from custody on Wednesday. She scheduled out as a pauper.

Forty Cent Corn.

The millers are now offering 40 cents for white corn in single loads and 43 cents for lots of 500 or more bushels.

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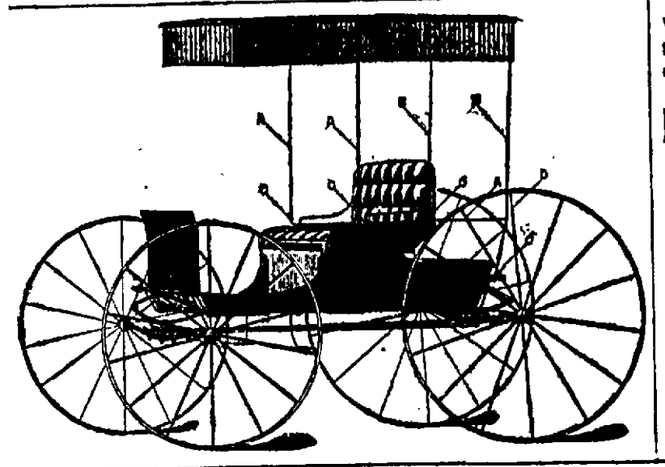

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DECAUR, ILLINOIS.

Poisoning Dogs.

Residents on South Main street and Spring avenue are making up a purse of $50 to be used in an effort to discover who is poisoning dogs along these streets. Some one is scattering poisoned meat indiscriminately and several valuable and inoffensive hunting dogs have been killed.

Paid.

Frank Cathron, who was sent to jail a week ago in default of a fine of $100 assessed for open lewdness, paid Wednesday and was discharged.

CHANGES IN ROCK ISLAND OFFICES.

Important changes in the management of the Rock Island railway to take effect on May 1, were announced yesterday. An J. Hitt, general superintendent, has been appointed general manager. H. A. Parkur relinquishes the title of general manager, but retains the position of first vice president and will devote most of his attention to engineering and construction affairs. W. M. Hubbell, superintendent of Chicago terminals, will succeed Mr. Stillwell as superintendent of lines west of the Missouri river, with headquarters at Topeka. Mr. Hitt began his career as a railroad man in 1872 as a brakeman on the Indianapolis & St. Louis road. He has served as brakeman, switchman, conductor, yardmaster and all along the line up to his present position.

PREVENTS TELESCOPING.

The Michigan Central is to equip all through trains with cars which will practically eliminate the possibility of telescoping. One of the new cars has been completed in the shops of the company. It is equipped at both ends with steel platforms, behind which extend solid steel protections running six feet back and under the car. The device is said to be strong enough to resist almost any kind of a shock liable to be received in collisions. The car is 72 feet long and cost $8000.

THE LIGHT LINES.

Wednesday men were at work making gas and electric wire connections for the new Wabash station. The light wire is a heavy one and is first encased in a rubber insulation. That is covered with a heavy braid case and over that is a lead pipe. This pipe is made of lead about one-sixteenth of an inch thick. That is finally put into an iron pipe extending from the pole to the inside of the station.

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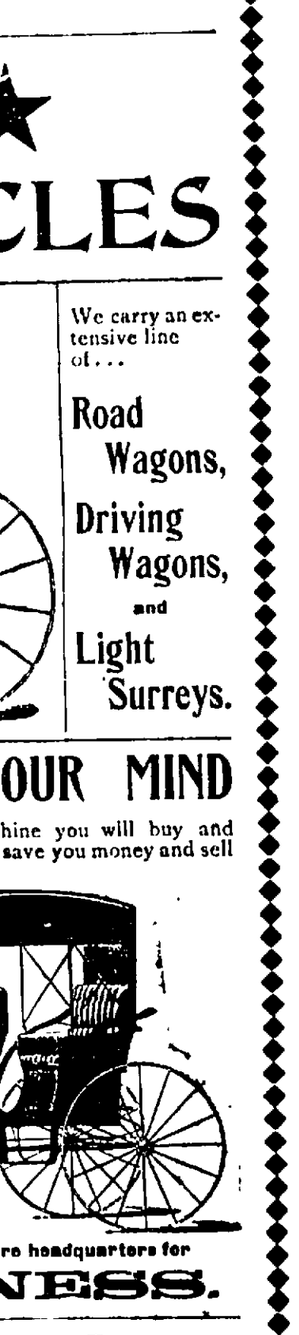

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SALARIES FIXED

House Passes Bill Naming Compensation For Clerks of Court.

FUNERAL DEBTS FIRST LIEN

On Life Insurance Policies--The Legislature is Getting Busy.

Springfield, April 24.—The house passed the bill fixing the salaries of clerks of the supreme and appellate courts as follows:

Supreme court, $6000 per annum; circuit court, first district, $5000; second and third, $4000; fourth, $2500. The act reduces court costs and provides all fees shall be paid into the state treasury. The bill appropriates $260,000 for an Illinois exhibit at the Louisiana purchase exposition, St. Louis.

The house passed the Bowles bill, providing for an additional bond issue by the trustees of the sanitary district for the purpose of raising the funds to widen the Chicago river. Yeas, 101; nays, 6.

The senate bill, (Juul's) known as the 75 per cent tax levy limit bill remains on the order of second reading until tomorrow.

The election committee bill, for the regulation of primary elections which was reported by the election of the commissioners of Cook county was passed.

The Skaggs bill, prohibiting the impersonating of officers or members of benefit societies passed.

Hunter's bill changing the manner of settling claims against township fire and tornado insurance companies was passed.

THE SENATE.

Springfield, Ill., April 24.—The senate this morning defeated the bills to regulate the construction of telephone and telegraph lines over railways, and to require printing of patent medicine formulas on their contents.

Bills passed making funeral expenses the first lien on proceeds of insurance policies; permitting construction of sewers by special assessment without petition. The governor's appointments made yesterday were confirmed. Also the appointment of William Thiemann to be a member of the live stock commission, announced this morning. The governor sent the senate the following appointments:

Springfield, Ill., April 24.—The senate passed house bill appropriating a million dollars to pay the salaries of the state officers and expenses of the next general assembly.

TRUSTEES NAMED.

Trustees—Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Charles W. Bowes, Rock Island; Samuel A. Buckley, Adams; Soldiers' Orphans' Home, A. S. Wright, McHenry; Illinois Institution for Education of Deaf and Dumb, Edward S. Greenleaf, Morgan; Illinois Northern Hospital for Insane, Charles W. Marsh, DeKalb; James A. Bullock, Lake; James C. Lane, Knox; Central Hospital, John B. Joy, Morgan; Southern Hospital, Walter Wood, Alexander; Institution for Education of Blind, William L. Fay, Morgan; Herman Engelbach, Cass; John A. Brown, Macon; Eastern Normal school, John Culp, Madison; Northern Normal, John J. McLellon, Knox; member board live stock commissioners, William Thiemann, Cook.

REMOVE LINCOLN'S REMAINS

Taken From Temporary Vault and Replaced in Monument.

Springfield, April 24—Unostentatiously and without ceremony the remains of Abraham Lincoln and other members of the family which have been entombed in the National Lincoln monument and which since March 19, 1900, when the work of rebuilding the monument at a cost to the state of $100,000 was commenced, have been repposing in a temporary stone vault near the monument were this afternoon replaced in the crypt in the monument. The ceremony of returning remains to the monument was witnessed by Governor Yates and other state officials, members of the Lincoln monument association which had charge of the monument until it was taken in charge by the state four years ago, the surviving members of the Lincoln guard of honor, Judge Humphrey of the United States district court, other federal officials, Mayor Phillips and other city officials, and probably 200 citizens and members of the press.

The casket was not opened for identification of the body of the martyr president as had been expected. The remains which now rest in a tomb in the monument are those of the president and Mrs. Lincoln and sons, Willie, Thomas (Tad) and Edward, and Abraham, son of their eldest son Robert T. Lincoln.

Fair Commission Organizes.

St. Louis, April 24—The Louisiana purchase world's fair national commission met today with all nine members present and completed the permanent organization. Ex-Senator Thomas H. Carter, of Montana, was elected president; Hon. Joseph Flory of Missouri, secretary.

Found Krupp Guns.

Tien-Tsin, April 24.—The British discovered 19 Krupp field guns and a quantity of ammunition buried near Shan Hai Kwan.

Reprieve for Black Jack.

Clayton, N. M, April 24—A message was received tonight through Governor Otero, from President McKinley, granting Thomas Ketchum, alias "Black Jack" who was to have been hanged here Friday a reprieve until May 25.

Sheep Herders Burned.

Helena, Mont., April 24—Samuel Karns and Alice Eisner, sheep herders, were burned to death last night while asleep in a cabin on Six Mile Creek.

CROWN PRINCE ENTERS BONN

Imposing Ceremony Observed at the University.

Bonn, April 24—The ceremony of the matriculation of Crown Prince Frederick William at the University here today occurred in the presence of a brilliant company of military officers, civil officials, University authorities, and clergymen. Emperor William and the crown prince stood at the table on which was the roll of the university and the prince's card of membership. Prof. Lavalette welcomed the emperor and referred to the years his majesty spent at Bonn and the brilliancy with which he fulfilled the bright hope which he had given promise as a youth. Just as the emperor, as a student, won the hearts of all, he said so would the crown prince soon learn how truly and warmly all hearts beat in unison with his. The crown prince entered his name on the register, and Rector Lavalette grasped his hand and greeted him as the youngest member of the University, expressing the wish that he, like his father, would unite serious study with the buoyant spirits of youth.

The rector called for hochs for the emperor which were vigorously given. The emperor shook hands with the rector, and greeted several other persons. His majesty, the crown prince and suite subsequently joined in the procession at the gate of the university, and left amidst the hochs of the townspeople and students. There was a grand commers this evening.

HALLOWAY ENTERS A DENIAL

Stories Sent Out From St. Petersburg Are All Rot.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 24—The editor of the Journal is in receipt of a letter from Col. Holloway, United States consul general at St. Petersburg, dated the 9th, in which he states:

"The stories recently telegraphed the American press concerning alleged riots St. Petersburg are largely fakes while they were published under the St. Petersburg date lines they were not sent by the agent of the American Associated Press here, but were made up of sensational reports that reached Berlin, Vienna and London. No intelligent person here believes the students are largely nihilists, nor in sympathy with that movement.

"The stories to the effect that the emperor's office and living rooms are lined with boiler iron and that he is hourly in fear of assassination are rot. The emperor and empress drive about as usual unattended by a single guard or footman as is their habit.

"St. Petersburg is as quiet and orderly a city as either Washington or Indianapolis. Do not believe the nihilists are as numerous here as they are in Chicago. No well informed person here seems to have the slightest fear of any serious trouble with either students or nihilists."

THE WIFE'S SISTER BILL.

Passes to Second Reading in House of Commons.

London, April 24.—The house of commons today debated the deceased wife's sister bill. Sir William Gordon, liberal, in moving a second reading, urged that such marriages are permitted throughout the United States. Opponents of the bill asserted it was only introduced in the interest of certain rich, influential people who had broken the law and desired to be whitewashed. The women of England are opposed to the measure as they considered it would be destructive of the frame work of civilization. Lord Hugh Cecil was among the most vigorous opponent of the bill. He reiterated the statement of the previous speaker and its purpose was to whitewash wealthy persons who had broken the law. The bill, he said, violated the Christian law of marriage. After further debate Sir William Gordon moved a closure which carried 290 to 106. The bill passed to second reading 270 to 122.

FIREMAN FALLS TO DEATH.

Pittsburg Furniture Company Suffers Heavy Loss by Fire.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 24.—The three upper floors of a nine-story building occupied by Barker Williams company's furniture house were destroyed by fire this evening, and the stock on the floors below is a complete loss from water. Edward Hagermeyer, fireman, fell from the eighth floor to the cellar by a collapse of the elevator shaft and was killed. The property loss is $125,000.

Starbuck is Bankrupt.

New York, April 24—James M. Starbuck, clerk of this city, filed a petition in bankruptcy today. Liabilities $368,380 no assets. Starbuck was formerly a member of the firm of Duiggin, Starbuck and company, composed of Zimrie Duiggin of Chicago, W. K. Starbuck of Lincoln, Neb., and the petitioner. The firm failed in 1893, when insolvency proceedings were had in Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana and Ohio. The debts of all were contracted under partnership liability, during or prior to 1893.

Diaz Declines.

Mexico City, April 24—The Associated Press is authorized to say that President Diaz will be unable to accept any invitation to meet President McKinley at the border on account of pressure of public business.

Drumelzier Safe.

Portland, Me., April 24—The ocean steamer Dunmelzier, concerning whose safety grave fears were entertained, arrived this afternoon.

Pays the Penalty.

Natchez, April 24—Jake Johnson, colored, who in a fit of jealousy shot and killed his wife last July was hanged here today.

Ten Round Draw.

Grand Rapids, April 24.—Gus Gardner of Youngstown, Ohio, and Eugene Bezenah of Cincinnati, fought ten rounds to a draw tonight.

MAD MAN'S DEED

Electrician Brainard at Portland Kills Three Men Without Provocation.

ACTED ON INSANE IMPULSE

Crime Committed While Men Were Rearranging Switch Board.

Portland Me., April 24—I. H. Farnham of Boston, chief electrician of the New England telephone company, was killed by George H. Brainerd of Boston, in the company's building here today. Brainerd, who it is believed, acted on an insane impulse, also fatally shot James Wadsworth, electrician, and Elmer Lane, severely wounded Earle Buxton, and slightly wounded Deputy Marshal Frith.

The men were engaged in making extensive alterations in the telephone exchange. Without a word of warning Brainerd drew a revolver and shot Farnham through the head, then in quick succession shot Wadsworth, Buxton, and Lane. Deputy Marshal Frith was summoned and as he entered the room received a bullet in the right side. He overcame Brainerd and put the irons upon him.

Buxton died tonight and Lanie is barely alive. The police are making inquiry to determine if Brainerd has shown any signs of insanity at any previous time. Neither before or after the tragedy did Brainerd exhibit any marked evidence of mental derangement.

FOUR SMASHERS IN JAIL.

Carrie Nation and Company Failed to Give Bond.

Wichita, April 24—Mrs. Carrie Nation, Mrs. Lucy White, Mrs. Julia Evans and Mrs. Lydia Muntz, appeared before Judge Dale today in the district court and failed to give bond. They occupy one cell in common in the county jail, and will remain there until the bond for $500 each is approved or until the trial at the May term of the court. Mrs. Nation failed to secure local bondsmen and the other three refused to seek bonds, saying they accompanied Mrs. Nation on the smashing tour they would not desert her now.

GOVERNMENTAL CONTROL

Of Telegraph and Telephone Lines Favored by Dick.

Columbus, April 24—In an address before the presidential postmaster's association of Ohio today, Congressman Charles F. Dick, chairman of the republican state committee declared himself in favor of government control of telephone and telegraph lines. All means of communication he declared, should be under governmental supervision—telegraphic and telephonic as well as the mail system. This is certain to come.

VERDICT FOR SUDBOROUGH

Gets $30,000 Judgment Against Pacific Express Company.

Omaha, Neb., April 24—The suit of Thomas K. Sudborough against the Pacific Express company for $30,000 damages for having been arrested and prosecuted on a charge of embezzlement resulted in favor of the defendant today in the district court.

Presbyterian Missionaries.

Davenport, Ia., April 24—The thirtieth annual meeting of the Presbyterian board of Foreign missions of the northwest opened here today, with 300 delegates present from twelve states covering the territory from Indiana to the Rock'es north of the Missouri. Reports showing increasing support of foreign missions were read from all states represented. The reports of missionaries in many foreign fields supported by the northwest board were read. Some are quitting work because of illness and facing difficult problems, but most send encouraging reports.

Small Pox on Board.

Honolulu, April 17—Transport Kilpatrick arrived the 13th from San Francisco, with two cases of smallpox on board. She is in quarantine and will not leave until she has been thoroughly cleaned and fumigated.

Lieut. Thomas M. Cobb, Jr., Thirty-ninth infantry, one of the small pox patients, landed on Quarantine island from the transport Lawton, died on the 13th. He was taken ill while on the way from Manila.

Eagle is Swamped.

Sharon, Pa., April 24—The Shenango river is rising tonight at the rate of half an inch an hour and is higher than any time since 1898. In the southern parts of the city, houses are under three feet of water. Many families left their homes today in boats, and several manufacturing concerns closed. The Eagle office is under water and publication suspended.

Baptist Missionaries.

Hartford, April 24—The thirty-first session of the Womans Baptist Foreign Missionary society opened here today. The treasurer's report showed a total appropriation for foreign work of $87,650; donations of different states $100,043. Total expenditures $100,935.

Fire at Danville, Va.

Danville, Va., April 24—A fire today destroyed eleven business houses. The loss was $68,000.

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CASE AGAINST CALLAHAN

Has Been Fairly Commenced at Omaha, Nebraska.

Omaha, Neb., April 24—The case of the state against James Callahan charged with complicity in the Cudahy kidnapping was presented to the jury by County Attorney Shields this morning. Shields said the state would seek to identify Callahan who seized young Cudahy in front of his home, and also stood guard over the boy in the Grover street house. After the jury inspected the scene of the kidnapping, chief witnesses E. A. Cudahy and son, Edward, took the stand and the latter's testimony was not concluded when court adjourned. The boy merely said in a general way the man who first accosted him was dark complexioned, and wore a stubby, black moustache. This description fits Callahan. Young Cudahy described the journey to the house in Grover street, and related conversations with the jailer. The boy later listened to the conversation between Chief Donahue and Callahan.

In the examination of the older Cudahy the purpose of the defense was brought out to show the packer surrendered $25,000 without compulsion. Cudahy conceded he gave up the money freely and without expectation of getting it back.

M. L. Sears, attorney for Cudahy, testified to bringing the gold from the Omaha National bank up town by Cudahy's order.

ESCAPED CONVICTS RELENTS

Goes Back to Missouri and Gives Himself Up.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 24.—Ben. H. Morse, who was sentenced to serve three years in the state penitentiary on the charge of using the mails to defraud, and who later jumped bond and escaped to South Africa, arrived here today and gave himself up. Morse was caught in an attempt to defraud Mrs. Bland, widow of Congressman Bland, and was tried and convicted in Kansas City in 1899. The surrender today is the result of attending religious services at Mattoon, Ill., where he was converted.

M'CARTHY GETS A VERDICT

American Sustains Charge of Libel Against Harmsworth.

London, April 24.—In the king's bench court today Charles McCarthy, American, manager of the show entitled "Big Fire in New York," which was presented at Paris at the exposition, was awarded £1000 damages against the Harmsworths Evening News for libel in saying McCarthy bolted with the cash, leaving a company of American and English girls stranded at Paris. From the evidence it appeared the syndicate financing the show failed but McCarthy did his best to protect the employes.

Steamship Arrival.

Liverpool, April 24—Cafic from New York.

New York—Anchoria from Glasgow.

Armenian from Genoa, etc.; Teutonic from Liverpool and the Queenstown.

Plymouth—Deutschland from New York for Hamburg via Cherbourg.

Queenstown—Majestic from New York for Liverpool.

Cherbourg—Deutschland from New York via Plymouth for Hamburg and proceeded.

Philadelphia—Belgianland from Liverpool.

Halifax—Laurentine, from Glasgow and Liverpool for New York.

House Will Not Concur.

Lansing, April 24—By a vote to 52 to 0 the house refused to concur in the Chandler railroad tax bill which the senate passed last night, after amending it so as to tax railroads only instead of including telegraph, telephone and express companies as originally proposed by the house.

The senate tonight voted to insist in its amendments to the Chandler railroad tax bill and each house appointed a conference committee to consider the differences.

Cotton Cargo on Fire.

Pensacola, April 24.—A fire raging in the cotton cargo of the Spanish steamship Alicia of Serra Line for Liverpool which has on board 1800 bales of cotton and a general cargo valued at $150,000. Hatches have been shut air tight and will be kept so 24 hours. One of the crew who attempted to go into the hold and direct a stream of water was badly burned, and another was overcome by smoke.

Mosquito Fleet at Cavite.

Washington, April 24—A cablegram received at the navy department today announced the arrival of the Mosquito fleet at Cavite. Its four vessels will be utilized in patrolling the coasts of Luzon and the lower islands of the Philippine group.

New Bowling Record.

Chicago, Ill., April 24.—The Chicago League team of the Illinois Bowling association established a new world's record tonight scoring an average of 903 for three games.

Spain Shaken.

Lisbon, April 24.—A slight earthquake shock was felt here this afternoon. A violent shock was experienced at Algarve and several persons were thrown down and bruised.

Dust Storm.

Calcutta, April 24.—A violent dust storm visited Mandalay, capital of Burmah, Tuesday, followed by a terrible rain storm. Twelve lives were lost and great destruction wrought.

Delcasse Bestows Honors.

St. Petersburg, April 24—Delcasse, the French minister of foreign affairs has presented the Grand Cordon of the Legion of Honor to Spleguine, the Russian minister of the interior.

Earthquake in Italy.

Rome, April 24—A slight earthquake was felt here and in southern Italy this afternoon.

RAILS SPREAD

Accident to C. H. & D. Flyer Four Miles North of Dayton.

WHEEL ON ENGINE BROKE

Two Men Killed and a Long List of Passengers Hurt.

Dayton, April 24.—One of the worst wrecks in a long period on the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad occurred tonight, four miles northeast of this city. The train was the Michigan flyer due at Dayton at 6:20. It was running perhaps 70 miles an hour. At a point where the accident occurred the Miami river makes a sweeping bend running with the tracks. Right in the depth of the curve one of the small truck wheels of the engine broke, throwing the machine into the bank, the tender switching outward over the river edge. The impact of the vestibuled train behind, consisting of the baggage, smoker, day coach and parlor car carried the two first cars at a flying tangent over the river where they hung in this air while the coach and parlor car careened outward at a menacing angle. The engine turned completely about.

A relief train hurried from Dayton and on the return the injured were sent to St. Elizabeth hospital.

The killed:

Patrick Dooley, engineer.

Raymond McElroy, fireman.

Injured:

Frank Weaver, brakeman, left arm crushed and otherwise seriously hurt.

George Thompson, baggagemaster, abdominal injuries, serious.

Fred Coles, Sidney, Ohio, passenger, seriously cut about the head.

Phil Brown of Detroit, cut about the head and arms.

R. W. Sherman of Pontiac, Mich., slightly cut.

John Lehman of Hamilton, Ohio, head, face and hands cut.

Ellsworth Holden of Dayton, cut about the hands and face.

H. E. Williams, porter on parlor car, left shoulder wrenched.

W. A. Clark of Covington, Ky., sprained back.

A. J. Fleitzel of Dayton, cut about hands and face.

CAUSED HOUSE TO COLLAPSE

One Man Was Killed and Several Others Injured.

Chicago, April 24—One man was killed tonight and a number of people injured by pulling down a house on themselves. The house was in Maxwell street and had been condemned. It was a frail wooden affair, and when the report as given out it was to be destroyed, a large number of Polish Hebrews came to supply themselves with firewood. In their eagerness to obtain the wood the crowd caused the structure to collapse. The dead:

Joseph Pasiere, aged 75.

Injured:

Joseph Pasiere, thigh broken.

Charles Pocos, legs badly bruised.

Michael Scole, legs broken.

Several others were less seriously injured.

THE FLOOD IN OHIO

River Again Rising and Danger is Once More Increasing.

Cincinnati, April 2—The flood outlook in the middle Ohio valley is not as encouraging tonight as expected. The predicted limit of 55 feet has been passed here and the limit at other points will be over the estimates. Reports come from Cattletsburg tonight of rains in the Cumberland mountains in northeastern Kentucky and Huntington reports heavy rains in the southern and western parts of West Virginia. At both places as well as Ashland Ironton, Portsmouth and intermediate points there is much uneasiness and some places are preparing for the worst. The estimates on previous conditions were based on the Ohio falling but instead of that it is raising tonight at Huntington and Cattlettsburg. It is falling above these points. At Cincinnati tonight the river is rising an inch an hour and the stage of 55 feet came before midnight. With these fluctuations it is impossible to forecast the conditions below Cattlettsburg even with the government tonight indicating fair weather tomorrow throughout the Ohio valley.

The only loss of life reported so far has been from accidents. One man fell off a boat today and drowned, and another off a log raft. A woman jumped from the suspension bridge, evidently a suicide. None of the bodies were recovered and their identity is not known.

At New Richmond, Ohio, fifty families were driven out of their homes today, and many are moving tonight.

At Ironton, Ohio, over 100 families were driven out. All merchants on the business street had to move. Railroad traffic has been suspended and a coal famine exists in nearly all the smaller towns.

ONE POINT FOR EASTMANN

Court Sustains Objection to Reiteration of Gregan's Dying Remark.

Cambridge, April 24—The government lost the first critical point in the admission of evidence against Prof. Eastman of Harvard college, who is on trial in the superior court charged with the murder of his brother-in-law, Richard Gregan, Jr., this afternoon, when Judge Gaskill stated that certain evidence, in the form of a repetition of the statements alleged to have been made by Gregan as he was dying, were not admissable in a certain form which tended to convey opinion and not the fact as whether he (Gregan) had been "killed" or "murdered." The point raised by Elder, for the prisoner, apparently was unexpected by the attorney-general.

Lottie Broughton, a witness was asked to repeat what she heard Gregan say. Elder interposing, said he anticipated the answer would be "Charles, you've murdered me" to it he objected as incompetent evidence on the plain ground it was Gregan's opinion, and not the specific declaration a dying man.

Attorney-General Knowlton took the opposite ground but the decision was against the government in almost every particular. The entire day was full of sensational evidence. Walter D. Titus, a druggist, saw Eastman with a revolver in his hand. Several persons told of the excitement following the shooting and hearing cries of "Help" and "Murder."

The concluding witness was Belle Bryan, the housekeeper for Mrs. Gregan. Her story had not proceeded far enough at the days' adjournment to disclose the government's strength at this point in its chain of circumstances.

HE FASTED SEVEN DAYS

A Kansas City Motorman Thus Cured Rheumatism.

Kansas City, Mo., April 24.—For seven days not a particle of food passed the lips of Motorman Lew S. Purdy of the Metropolitan line, but during his fast he did not miss a run. He did his work exactly as before, and now declares that he feels better than he has in years.

Purdy believes that a seven days' fast will cure any bodily ailment.

His ailment is rheumatism, which frequently lays him up for several days. After his fast, which ended last night, he declared that the rheumatism had entirely disappeared for the first time in three years. Purdy drank from 10 to 15 glasses of water a day, but took no other liquid refreshment. He lost about 10 pounds, but at no time was he unusually fatigued. Although compelled to stand all day, he was not as tired as he was when he was eating.

Today he said he was not hungry. He has drank so much water that he likes it and feels as though he could live on it. The fast improved Purdy's strength. He is naturally strong and has been a faithful athlete for the past six years.

Japan's Claim.

Yokohama, April 24—The claims that Japan makes upon China for indemnities to the amount of £4,750,000.

AN INTERNATIONAL FORCE

Inflicts Heavy Punishment on the Boxers.

Pekin, April 24.—An international detachment of 800 men under Col. Bradford which left Shan Hai Kwan to punish a force of "Boxers" and robbers that recently attacked the Indian troops, killing Major Browning, met the enemy in force, killing 50. Of the international detachment six British, two Japanese and one Frenchmen were killed. The enemy fled into the mountains, but will be closely pursued. The body of Major Browning was recovered.

The Germans have been ordered back form the Pao-Ting Fu expedition. Their behavior for the last week or so has caused great indignation in Pekin, not only among the Chinese, but among the foreigners as well. Carts, horses, mules and ponies have been impressed for transportation purposes; and coolies have been made to work for nothing and even the educated Chinamen have been impressed. A contractor working for the American quartermaster was impressed while at work and was only released on proof that he was working for Americans. Employes of the British legation had a similar experience.

The Chinese say there is intense feeling throughout the province against foreigners largely because of the harsh treatment the Chinese received from the Germans. They also assert that needless expeditions of Germans against perfectly quiet communities have caused many Chinese who lost their all to join roving bands of robbers.

PAUNCEFOTE AND HAY

Held a Long Conference on Canal Matter.

Washington, D. C., April 24.—Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador, was in conference with Secretary of State Hay for an hour today. In view of the approaching absence from Washington of Hay the ambassador was desirous of disposing of pending matters of business. The important subject of discussion was the canal project. It is doubtful whether Pauncefote will be in Washington when Hay returns and he is extremely anxious to be able during his visit to London to report to the British foreign office not only the exact situation here respecting the canal problem but also upon the prospects of ratification of any convention he might be able to frame in conjunction with Hay to replace the lost Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

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IT WAS A FARCE

The Y. M. C. A. Investigation Was a Perfunctory Affair.

THE BREECH IS WIDENING

The City Association Will Be Satisfied With Nothing But Adkin's Resignation.

The meeting held at the rooms of the city department of the Y. M. C. A. last night for the purpose of securing a hearing of the trouble which are agitating the local Y. M. C. A. did not develop anything of interest and in the language of one of the gentlemen present, "It was a farce pure and simple."

Invitations had been issued for a meeting at which members of the board of directors of the city department, the board of management of the railroad department, the members of the committee appointed from the members of the railroad department and the Wabash employes were to be present and to meet with Mr. Elliott of Chicago, who is the chairman of the sub-committee of the railroad work of the state committee, Mr. Elliott was present last night and expected to make a report of the case to Manager Ramsey of the Wabash, who has learned of the trouble and wants a report of the case. So far as investigating the matter was concerned there was nothing accomplished and when the meeting adjourned it was no nearer a solution of the difficulties than it was at the convening of the meeting. President Devit Strader presided at the meeting. S. D. Adkins, secretary of the railroad department, and Secretary Harry Patterson of the city department, were also present.

After the meeting had been called to order Mr. Elliott stated that the object of his presence was to ask some questions bearing on a point that had been in dispute. He asked a number of questions which were not made public and then at the close of his questioning a motion was made by a member of the city board of directors to adjourn. It carried and that ended the meeting so far as doing any business.

However those present remained for an hour or more afterward and discussed the affairs of the association and there were some warm words before the meeting finally broke up. President Strader stated that there could come no good from a discussion of the matters in dispute as the board of directors of the city association was the controlling power and they had demanded the resignation of Secretary S. D. Adkins and that it would have to be forthcoming. Every secretary is allowed 60 days in which to take his departure after his resignation has been asked. The 60 days of grace of S. D. Adkins will expire some time in the week but there seems to be a feeling that he will not take his departure for some time yet.

A peculiar condition confronts the board of directors of the city association in reference to their control of the railroad department. In other associations the city department controls the other branches and holds the leases on the building occupied by the railroad branches. In the case of the city association, however, by some oversight on the part of the city board of directors, they failed to secure a lease on the building which sits on Wabash ground and was largely built by Wabash subscription. The building is now of course under control of the Wabash company and as that company makes a contribution of $83.50 per month to the work, enough to pay the salary of the secretary at the beginning of the work although the salary has since been raised $200 per year.

The breech appears to be widening between the city and railroad associations instead of increasing and there is some talk to the effect that the railroad department will withdraw from the Y. M. C. A. and be run as a Wabash club house.

THE WILL WAS SUSTAINED.

Engineer Ed. Barrett Formerly of the P. D. & E. Gave to Charity.

In the circuit court of Coles county on Wednesday the will of the late Edward Barrett was sustained and by that decision about $3000 will be received by St. Patrick's church of Decatur and other Catholic institutions will receive bequests.

Barrett was an engineer on the P. D. & E. for a number of years and during that time he lived in Mattoon. Several years before his death he quit the road and part of the time lived in Decatur. During the time that Barrett was on the road Rev. Father Murphy, now of St. Patricks church in Decatur was pastor of the Mattoon church and he and Engineer Barrett were warm friends. That friendship continued when Father Murphy was transferred to Decatur and as a result St. Patrick's church was remembered in the will. Barrett was not married and left an estate of about $12,000. His relatives lived in Lockport, N. Y., and they contested the will being disatisfied because their bequests were comparatively small. The jury sustained the will but to prevent further contests, according to the Mattoon Star, a compromise was made by which about $3200 will go to the relatives. Attorney James J. Finn of this city, represented St. Patrick's church in the contest.

The bequests for the church were given to the bishop of the diocese of Alton, one-half to be for the Catholic orphan asylum at Alton, and the other half for school purposes in St. Patrick's parish of Decatur.

ROSS ARRESTED IN PEORIA.

Disappeared From Decatur in November Last—Will Be Returned Today.

The police have received word that C. C. Ross who is wanted in Decatur is under arrest in Peoria and Sheriff Lehman will go after the prisoner to day. Last November Ross, who had a tailor shop on East Eldorado street, disappeared. There was a report that he had "stuck" several persons but his wife said that he had gone out of the city for a few days only and would return. C. C. Ripple was one of the men who anxiously awaited for Ross. Ripple had paid in advance for the making of a suit of clothes and had also left a suit with Ross to be cleaned. When Ross disappeared he took the "cash in advance" the old suit of clothes. A warrant for his arrest was issued but no trace of him was found until within the last day or two when he was located in Peoria.

Marriage Licenses.

Andrew Lewis, Bloomington.....29
Ida Pendleton, Des Moines, Ia.....25

FIRST BOOK PRINTED

MEXICO CLAIMS THE HONOR FOR THE AMERICAN CONTINENT.

The Success and the Disasters That Attended the Establishment of Printing Throughout the Vast Extent of This Country.

The first printing press on the American continent was set up in the City of Mexico in the sixteenth century. So much is known regarding the commencement of the art preservative in the western world, but when details are looked for different accounts and conflicting statements are found. One author claims that the first Spanish viceroy of Mexico, Antonio de Mendoza, who went to that country in 1535 and who was distinguished for his devotion to literature, established a printing house some years before 1551, and that the printer employed by him, whose name was Joannes Paulus Brissensdus of Lombardy, a native of Brescia, Italy, was the first man to handle type in America. For a time one of his books, a folio volume executed in 1549, was cited as the first book printed on this continent. Another and perhaps more correct version is that printing was first established in Mexico by the Spanish missionaries, and the fact seems to be established that under their auspices a book, one mutilated copy of which is still in existence in a private library in Madrid, was printed in 1540 by Julian Cromberger, who died about 1544 and who was in all probability the first printer in America.

It is quite certain that the printing press was actively employed in Mexico in less than a century after the new art became generally known in Europe and for nearly a century before a printing press was introduced into the present limits of the United States. The second American city in which a printing office was established was Lima, Peru, where a work designed to assist the priests in the study of the language of the natives appeared in 1586.

At Cambridge, Mass., as Isaiah Thomas asserts, in January, 1639, printing was first performed in that part of North America which extends from the gulf of Mexico to the frozen ocean.

The beginning of the work of this first printing office in our country was a sorrowful one. Rev. Jesse Glover, through whose exertions the press had been secured and who contributed largely to the purchase, died upon his voyage to the new world, and his sons had afterward to see their stepfather for the possession of the press. This primitive establishment was subject to the authority of Cambridge college, the president of which was censor of the press and responsible for all publications until special licensees were appointed by law in 1652, the press never being enfranchised in Massachusetts until as late as 1755.

One Green became the second printer in the United States. Three hundred acres of land were granted him in 1638, but Mr. Green, it would appear, could not find a suitable location for his grant until 1667, when it is recorded that 300 acres of land were laid out to Ensign Samuel Green of Cambridge, printer, in the wilderness on the north of Merrimac river.

In 1650 an Indian boy taught at the charity school of Cambridge to read and write English was apprenticed to Samuel Green and took upon himself subsequently the name of James the Printer, or James Printer. He printed Eliot's Indian Bible, the first copy of the sacred Testament made in this country. He rendered such efficient service on this work that Eliot said he "had but one man, namely, the Indian printer, that was able to compose the sheets and correct the press with understanding." A copy of the Indian Bible is to be seen in the National museum.

The negro appears first in an American printing office under the direction of one Thomas Fleet, who fled to this country for refuge from the rage of an insensate London mob. In Boston he established a printing house with the sign of the Heart and Crown, and here his sons succeeded him in the business, although with the advent of antiroyal feeling the sign was changed to the Heart and Bible. Fleet owned several negroes, one of whom he taught not only to work the press, but to set type as well. He found special profit in printing small books for children and popular ballads, and such publications were rendered more attractive by the wood engravings cut for them by the negro artist. Cæsar and Pompey, sons of this negro, also became printers and remained in the office of their master's sons.

The first firmly established newspaper in North America appeared in 1704, but full 14 years previous to this date one number of a newspaper had been published in Boston, which was instantly suppressed by the authorities. To the publisher, Richard Harris, this appears to have been no novel experience, for he had in his native land been fined for selling a Protestant petition during King Charles' reign and had also come to grief through printing a book with the revolutionary title of "English Liberties." Besides, he was once set in the pillory, on which occasion his wife is recorded to have stood by him to defend him against the attentions of the mob.

Boston was early distinguished as the home of letters. James Franklin, an older brother of Benjamin, established in 1721 a periodical which he made the organ of a company of literary gentlemen whose common characteristic seems to have been total disagreement with each other. The object of the journal was ultra revolutionary in tendency, being generally to show the world the events of the day by assaulting all established beliefs and conventional manners and customs. Attacks were leveled indiscriminately at the British government, the preachers and finally inoculation. The aged Puritan minister, Increase Mather, protested publicly against the iniquity of the vile Courant and warned its subscribers against being "partakers in other men's sins." James Franklin was put in jail for a month and forbidden to print or publish the Courant or any pamphlet or paper of the like nature except it be first supervised, and he was finally obliged to leave Boston, like his brother Benjamin, and journey to a more liberal minded community.—Washington Times.

Romance a la Mode.

"I shall be at the opera tonight," he wrote. "I can bear the suspense no longer. If you love me, wear a red rose. If I may no longer hope, then let it be a white rose."

That night she wore a yellow rose.—Smart Set.

Trolley cars have done much in promoting rapid transit to the cemeteries.

CLOTHING MEN COMBINE.

Manufacturers East and West Forming a Trust.

Chicago, April 25—Chicago manufacturers of clothing, representing an aggregate capital of $15,000,000 to $20,000,000, met today and decided to form an association which will combine with similar bodies throughout the United States. The step was taken as a result of a visit of eastern delegates, who for years have been trying to effect a combination of all large manufacturing houses in the United States.

While the leaders in the so-called association deny any efforts to regulate prices is contemplated, the combination will be more powerful and represent more capital than almost any of the so-called trusts. Already the New York association has a total capital of upward of $100,000,000, and with factories of six other eastern cities in the union another $100,000,000 is added. Houses of other large western towns are expected to join the association.

Deaths of the Day.

GENERAL A. O. MILLER.

Lebanon, April 25—General A. O. Miller, one of Indiana's noted heroes of the civil war, died today, aged 74.

J. G. EASTON

La Crosse, Wis., April 25—J. G. Easton, the millionaire capitalist, and one of the railway magnates of the northwest, died tonight, of heart failure, aged 78.

PAT CONLEY.

Patrick Conley died of a complication of diseases on Thursday night at the home of his mother, 719 North Morgan street, aged 36 years. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from St. Patrick's Catholic church. The deceased was well known. He was a cigar maker by trade.

Raid on Texas Town.

Texarkana, Ark., April 25—Early this morning five men made an unsuccessful attempt to hold up and rob the little town of Queen City, Texas. Ira King, a night watchman at Oakes shingle mill, was shot and seriously injured. A tramp named Woods who was sleeping at the mill was killed. Constable Powell who hurried to the scene had a pitched battle with the robbers, and after exhausting his ammunition was forced to retreat. Bloodhounds are on the trail of the robbers.

Drawning Teachers.

Rock Island, April 25—The eighth annual convention of the Western Drawing Teacher's association closed today, and Minneapolis was chosen as the place of their next meeting. The officers elected are:

President—Mrs. Jean McWhorter Muller, of Chicago.

Vice President—Miss Abbie Dean of Rock Island.

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Adelia R. Donton of St. Joseph, Mo.

Sugar Beet Company.

Chicago, April 25.—The Tribune tomorrow will say:

"Negotiations have been completed in Chicago for the formation of the largest beet sugar concern in the world. The company has been organized with a capital stock of $6,000,000 and will be known as the Arkansas Valley Sugar Beet and Irrigation Land company. The plant of the new company will be located in Prowers county, Colorado.

Tried to Murder King.

London, April 25.—The Vienna correspondent of the Morning Leader asserts a man named Petroff attempted to enter the royal palace at Bucharest, the Roumanian capital, with a view of murdering King Charles, but was prevented by sentries after a severe struggle.

The correspondent adds that Petroff is believed to be an emissary of Macedonian committee.

Substitute Adopted.

Madison Wis., April 25.—The assembly tonight adopted the committee substitute to the Hagmeister substitute to the original Stevens primary bill by a vote of 45 to 44. It includes county, city and legislative offices in the primary provisions and referendum to the people at the next spring's election.

Give in to Strikers.

Paris, April 25.—The directors of the mines at Montceaux-les-mines, the scene of a prolonged strike, decided today to inform the minister of the interior, M. Waldeck Rousseau, that they would accept almost entirely the demands of the strikers.

Wreck of a Schooner.

Atlantic City, N. J., April 25.—The three masted schooner, Emma C. Knowles from Charleston, S. C., for Fall River, with a cargo of lumber, was sighted six miles off this city today, almost a total wreck. There was no life on the vessel and the fate of the crew is unknown.

Scaffold Collapses.

New Orleans, La., April 25—A scaffolding in the theatre at Athletic Park, which is being renovated, collapsed tonight and a number of men were hurled to the ground. Frank Spizeld, a contractor, was killed and a dozen others were injured, several seriously.

Michigan Against Cigarettes.

Lansing, Mich., April 25.—The Michigan house of representatives today passed by unanimous vote a stringent anti-cigarette law prohibiting manufacture, sale or giving away of any cigarette or cigarette paper in this state.

Whole Family Poisoned.

Wymore, Neb., April 25.—The family of George Hicks was poisoned today by eating biscuit made from flour in which the 2-year-old grandson had spent a box of rat poison. Several members have a slight chance for recovery.

Village Destroyed.

Vienna, April 25.—The village of Breyeiua, lower Austria, has been destroyed by fire and six persons were killed and an immense amount of damage done.

HOLD A SPECIAL SESSION.

Profitable Meeting of the Grand Encampment in Decatur.

A special session of the Grand Encampment of the Illinois I. O. O. F. was held in the lodge room of the Decatur Encampment yesterday afternoon and last evening and much important business was transacted. A number of the grand officers were in the city and assisted in the work of conferring degrees of the grand encampment on the past chief patriarchs. All the work was of a secret nature and but little was given out for publication.

At the night session the Decatur encampment No. 37 conferred the degree on 20 candidates, some being from this city and others from the surrounding towns and cities in this part of the state. The degrees of the encampment consist of the patriarchial, golden rule and royal purple and the degrees were conferred by the degree staffs from the various sections as follows:

PATRIARCHIAL.

Chief Patriarch—T. C. Kitchen.
High Priest—C. M. Lytle.
Senior Warden—J. W. Bell.
Junior Warden—C. M. Borchers.
Guide—W. F. Pease.
First Guard of the Tent—A. Seller.
Second Guard of the Tent—L. L. Underwood.
First Sentinel—G. D. Ashton.
Second Sentinel—Harry Hays.
Third Sentinel—L. W. Fribourg.
Fourth Sentinel—Charles Irwin.
Shepherds—A. H. Barnett, Bruce Woodruff, L. H. Martin, C. A. Rucker.
Inside Sentinel—I. H. Bauer.

GOLDEN RULE.

Chief Patriarch—W. E. Pease.
High Priest—J. B. Bauer.
Senior Warden—J. W Bell.
Junior Warden—C. M. Borchers.
Inside Sentinel—L. W. Fribourg.
First M. O. H.—G. B. Ashton.
Second M. O. H.—L. H. Martin.
W.—L. L. Underwood.
B.—T. C. Kitchen.
Y.—A. Seller.
R.—Charles Irwin.
B.—A. B. Barnett.
P.—C. Rucker.
C.—D. Woodruff.
P.—Harry Hays.

ROYAL PURPLE.

C. P.—L. W. Fribourg.
H. P.—J. H. Gregor.
S. W.—W. E. Pease.
J. W.—C. M. Borchers.
Guide—C. M. Lytle.
First G. of P.—A. Seller.
Second G. of P.—L. L. Underwood.
Inner Sentinel—J. H. Bauer.
First Watch—T. C. Kitchen.
Second Watch—Harry Hays.
Third Watch—Charles Irwin.
Fourth Watch—G. B. Ashton.
Shepherds—A. H. Barnard, J. A. W. Bell, Bruce Woodruff and L. H. Martin.

The degree work took up the entire evening and it was 12 o'clock before the work was finished. At the conclusion of the work the company were escorted to the Chandler restaurant where a six course banquet was served. Over one hundred plates were laid and the affair proved a most pleasant one. The menu was as follows:

Oysters.
Stewed, Fried, Raw.
Pickles, Olives, Salad.
Cold Slaw, Saratoga Chips.
Bread, Butter, Crackers.
Tea, Coffee, Milk.
"Bread and Water" Special.

Lost His Dollar.

Thursday during the noon hour several telephone messages came to the police headquarters asking that the patrol wagon be sent to the corner of Jasper and Eldorado street, where there was a "gang rushing the can and playing craps" Henry Koesick, the driver of the patrol wagon, was the only one at headquarters when the message came and he was suspicious. Later his suspicions were confirmed when the fellow sending the message tried to impersonate Officer Koeppe. Later Officer Koeppe was instructed to investigate and he found that two fellows had made a bet that the patrol wagon would come at his call and he was anxious about it. He was warned that the next time he made a bet he would avoid trouble by leaving out the patrol wagon.

Stopped a Runaway.

Charley Moore, one of the firemen at the West Main street house, stopped a runaway team at the risk of injury to himself yesterday afternoon. One of the Francis hack teams had started to run from Lincoln Square and was getting under headway as they passed the fire house going west. Moore was standing in front of the house and running out caught one of the horses by the bit, bringing the team to a standstill.

Messenger Ill.

Express Messenger Frank Biles was taken suddenly ill while on his trip on Wabash train No. 1 and had to leave the train at Peru yesterday. He was relieved by Harry Moore, who made the run to this city and John Bassett went on to St. Louis.

To the Hospital.

Harry Hathaway, who has been ill at his rooms over the Melhorn saloon, was removed to St. Mary's hospital yesterday. His brother, Willis Hathaway, came down from Hamahor, Ill. Harry's condition is extremely critical.

MISSIONARIES ALL RIGHT.

Conger Says They Acted Part of Brave Men.

Chicago, April 25.—The Record-Herald special from San Francisco gives the following expressions from Minister Conger with reference to the alleged looting by missionaries in Pekin:

"Dr. Ament is the most lied about man in China, unless its myself.

"Stories of looting by missionaries and their collecting indemnities by force are absolutely false.

"The missionaries acted with nobility and heroism during the Pekin siege, fighting bravely alongside the soldiers and the rest of us."

Dr. Ament was among the passengers on Nippon Maru.

Grant Demand.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 25.—The Cleveland & Buffalo Transit company conceded all demands made by the striking marine engineers, and beginning next Monday steamers will begin making daily trips between this city and Buffalo.

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WILL PRESENT RESOLUTIONS

Medical Society Names Committee to Address Library Board.

The Decatur Medical society met Thursday evening at the rooms of the Decatur club. The following papers were read: "Medical Treatment of Proctidanitis," Dr. W. J. Chenoweth; and "Diseases of the Conjunctiva," Dr. J. W. Sandora. Three new members were admitted, Dr. E. W. Walker of Decatur, Dr. E. D. Carr of Argenta and Dr. A. T. Botts of Warrensburg. Dr. H. C. Jones was named a member of the nominating committee of the state medical society.

A committee was appointed to draw up resolutions for presentation to the library board.

The committee is composed of Dr. W. J. Chenoweth, Dr. E. J. Brown and Dr. Will O. Wood and will report at the next meeting.

A vote of thanks was passed to the members of the Decatur club who have tendered the medical society the use of their rooms for their meetings. The society will meet hereafter at the rooms of the Decatur club.

Lost Fifty.

Wabash Brakeman Harry Wilkin lost five ten dollar bills between the railroad Y. M. C. A. and the postoffice on April 23. He had been unable to find the money and now states that he will pay a big price for it.

High Chickens.

George Wolty received a letter yesterday from his son who is located near Spokane, Wash., saying that eggs were 60 cents per dozen and chickens just hatched were $12 per dozen.

MAROA.

Pat Kennedy and wife of Chicago are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bogle parents of Mrs. Kennedy.

Arthur Owens has secured the agency for the Bloomington students' laundry.

Huff Bros. are building a house on the farm of Mrs. Lydia E. Bates west of town.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stroud a daughter.

Ernest Bishop has returned from Decatur.

Bruce Waller has severed his connection with the grocery store of Silas Berkshire.

Miss Minnie Carpenter won a diamond ring in the popular lady contest at the opera house Monday night.

The ladies of the W. R. C. are to give a ladies' wood sawing contest and gentlemen's sewing contest in the near future.

Miss Nettie Conover is assisting in Crocker & Co.'s bank this week.

WARRENSBURG.

Mrs. Wm. Snyder of Decatur visited Mr. and Mrs. News. Snyder.

Cecil Crossler threw a corn knife at a bird, and the knife struck his little brother Arthur on the nose, cutting his nose badly.

The family of Robert Ballenger moved to Decatur last week.

D. W. Hitsch was re-elected school director last Saturday.

Chas. Conaly was re-elected for the Brick and Geo. Falth for the Rolling.

The W. C. T. U. hold their meeting at the home of Mrs. Wade this week.

Presiding Elder Reed will preach here on Sunday night.

Rev. Bickers of the Congregational church will give the Odd Fellow's annual address next Sunday morning at 10:30 at the Congregational church.

Mrs. Wm. Ishmeal expects to soon go to Peoria to reside with her daughter, Miss Mable Jacques.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Conely, April 21, a daughter. April 24.

LOVINGTON.

Miss Eva Smith was in Sullivan on business Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. George Foster of Decatur, visited relatives here over Sunday.

Ralph Foster went to Bement Tuesday to work.

Mr. Bliss of Sheldon, Ill., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Bliss, here.

Misses Bess Boggs and Claie Stivers were in Sullivan on business Tuesday.

W. S. Shirey of Decatur was here Tuesday.

Last Sunday Floyd Neff, aged 8, and Homer Walton, aged 11, got into some promiscuous mischief by setting fire to Scott Murphy's molasses mill west of town and burning it down. The fire was not discovered until the flames had a good headway. The total damage to the mill, feed and fencing was about $50.

Miss Ethel Patterson will leave Saturday for Hervey City to visit Miss Iva Gregory.

Mrs. Charles Howell and daughter, Miss Maude, were Decatur visitors Wednesday.

WELDON.

Mrs. Cicero Lane and daughter, Miss Cora, attended the funeral of John Miller's baby Monday.

Dr. Anna Jorger of Champaign, was here Monday.

Mac Callison of Dewitt came Monday.

He will furnish music for the medicine company that will start from here in a few days. The manager of the company will be Dr. J. G. Quisenberry, assisted by others.

William Gray has sold his store room to the Pabst Brewing Co., consideration $700.

Mrs. Samuel Fairbanks went to Scopeston, last Thursday.

Ed Holmes was in Clinton, Friday.

Mrs. Henry Baker is visiting in Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Phares attended the funeral of Mr. Phares' sister, Mrs. Waldo, at Clinton Friday.

Mrs. Samuel Hickle has returned to Champaign.

Mrs. Ella Hall is visiting at Champaign.

Alonzo Baker was in Clinton over Sunday.

Mrs. Samuel Smallwood of Clinton, is visiting here.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller of Sullivan died Sunday, the remains were brought here Monday, and a short service held at the residence of Jacob Zorger, Mrs. Miller's father. Interment in Weldon cemetery.

April 24.

FARMERS COLUMN

FOR SALE—Blood hound, only 3 years old, good healthy dog. Apply 712 East Decatur street.—26-w-2w

SEED CORN AND OATS—We have a very fine quality of white and yellow seed corn, 75c per bushel as it runs, or $1.00 if picked. Our oats are a new variety here and very fine. Price 35c per bushel. Whitley Farm, 3 miles south of Harristown, Ill. Pegram & Hostetler. Citizen's Bank Bldg, Decatur, Ill.—Apr 2-w-1mo.

WANTED—Vehicle painting. Get your carriage or buggy repainted in the latest style with the best of material by J. L. English, the carriage painter, corner Main and Church street. All work guaranteed. —12-June wtf

EXECUTRIX NOTICE—Estate of Jacob Waltz, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of Jacob Waltz, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the June term, on the first Monday in June next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 8th day of April, 1901 Lucy Ann Waltz, exe dtrix. By J. E. McDoll attorney.—April 9-w

MONEY TO LOAN—If you have money borrowed on your land and are paying 6 or 7 per cent interest, why not get it at 5 per cent? That is our rate at the present time and are prepared to accommodate you quickly and on the most favorable terms obtainable. Or if you wish to borrow on live stock, farm implements, grain, or if you have an old loan and are not satisfied with the treatment or paying big commission, see us, we can save you money. We are brokers in that line and represent a number of clients anxious to get their money out. And only charge a reasonable compensation for our work. Geo. W. Ehrhart, loan broker, 157 North Water. 19-w-1m.

MONEY—WE LOAN MONEY ON HORSES CATTLE, WAGONS, CARRIAGES, BUGGIES, HIGH GRADE FURNITURE, PIANOS, ORGANS, WATCHES AND DIAMONDS OR ANY GOOD COLLATERAL. MONEY IS PLENTY AND RATES LOWER THAN EVER. APPLY TO ALBERT T. SUMMERS, 165 NORTH WATER ST.—Dec31 wtf

WANTED—Everybody to know that you can get the same meal for 15c that you pay 25 up town at Mpp's Restaurant, 415 N. Water St. E. T. Myers.—4-June wtf

FOR SALE—A 12-horse power high grade improved multi-polar electric motor. The machine is as good as new and will be sold at a bargain. Call on or address The Herald, Decatur, Ill.—April 18-wtf

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SPEECHES AT MANY POINT

Welcomed to Lynchburg Senator J. W. Daniel--Large Crowds at Roanoke.

Bristol, Tenn., April 29.—The day of the president's long tour of Pacific coast ended when the Tenne line was reached at 10:55 tonight. Presidential party received a flatte ovation from the time the train left W ington. Large crowds assembled at Station, schoolyards and cross roads. and a little group of waving wate straining their eyes to catch a glimpse the chief magistrate as the train whi by. At Charlottesville the students of University of Virginia turned out, an Lynchburg Senator Daniel, Virgi crack orator, made a speech greeting president. At Roanoke two bands ere out welcome. At each of these place president responded to the loud calls upon him and spoke briefly from the platform of his car.

IN THE OLD DOMINION.

President Speaks at Charlottesville—Welcome By Senator Daniels.

Charlottesville, Va., April 29.—The presidential train, with a tiny flag on pilot of the engine, denoting the magistrate of the nation was on be arrived at Charlottesville on schedule A brief stop was made at Alexan where a big crowd had assembled. dent and Mrs. McKinley appeared the platform and acknowledged States. The people gathered in town, village and cross roads th ginia to see the train go by Mountains, Culpepper and Orange crowds were especially large. As the approached Charlottesville, the part a glimpse of the old home of Pres ladison at Montpelier. At Charlotte the students from the University o ginia lined up alongside the train gave the president three rousing when he made his appearance. From platform of his car, the president spo follows:

It gives me great pleasure to recei greeting of the people of Charlott and the cheers of the young men University of Virginia. Your insti is linked with great names and great have influenced both.

What an array of immortal name plain holds in her keeping to remind lofty patriotism, statesmanship and achievements. To no other state American union belongs such a hist preserve and cherish, and such exa to inspire and emulate. May the men of Virginia prove worthy sons noble ancestors and continue in the to they did in the past, to the well honor and glory of the republic. assure you, young gentlemen, th present and the future holds rich for good scholarship, high character noble endeavor; and the wish w leave with you is that of those p have your full share."

There were calls for Secretary Hi his only response was to introduce master Smith, who spoke briefly.

SENATOR DANIEL.

In the city of Lynchburg, the h Senator Daniel, there was a sto minutes. Senator Daniel, Mayor and members of the board of tru city council and a great crowd greet party with old fashioned Virgi enthusiasm.

Senator Daniel made a speech some to which the president in resp said:

I am very glad not only to m people of the city of Lynchburg, b presented by your distinguished It is a matter of no public inter only one of pure personal recollect the first time I ever tried to Lynchburg I did not succeed. I ca with a number of other gentle sought entrance, but the gates were We could not open them and y not. And so we departed to seek host, if not more hospitable, less able than the one that greeted us is a happy time for me to come to burg now—war over, no exchange lags with shot and shell as than friendly welcome of all the peopl typifies respect, regard and goo which subsists between all sectio common country."

AT ROANOKE.

The biggest and noisiest demo of the day occurred at Roanoke. ands were at the station, and th greeted the president. The pre sponded to calls for a speech with lowing remarks:

"I congratulate you, I con myself upon the glorious country live that once more and forev greeted to the same house, and t flag. I congratulate you upon grass as well as your prosperity. had as much to do in all our hist have done. We never had so m ness at home nor so much abro never made so much, and never much as we sell this year. We ar

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